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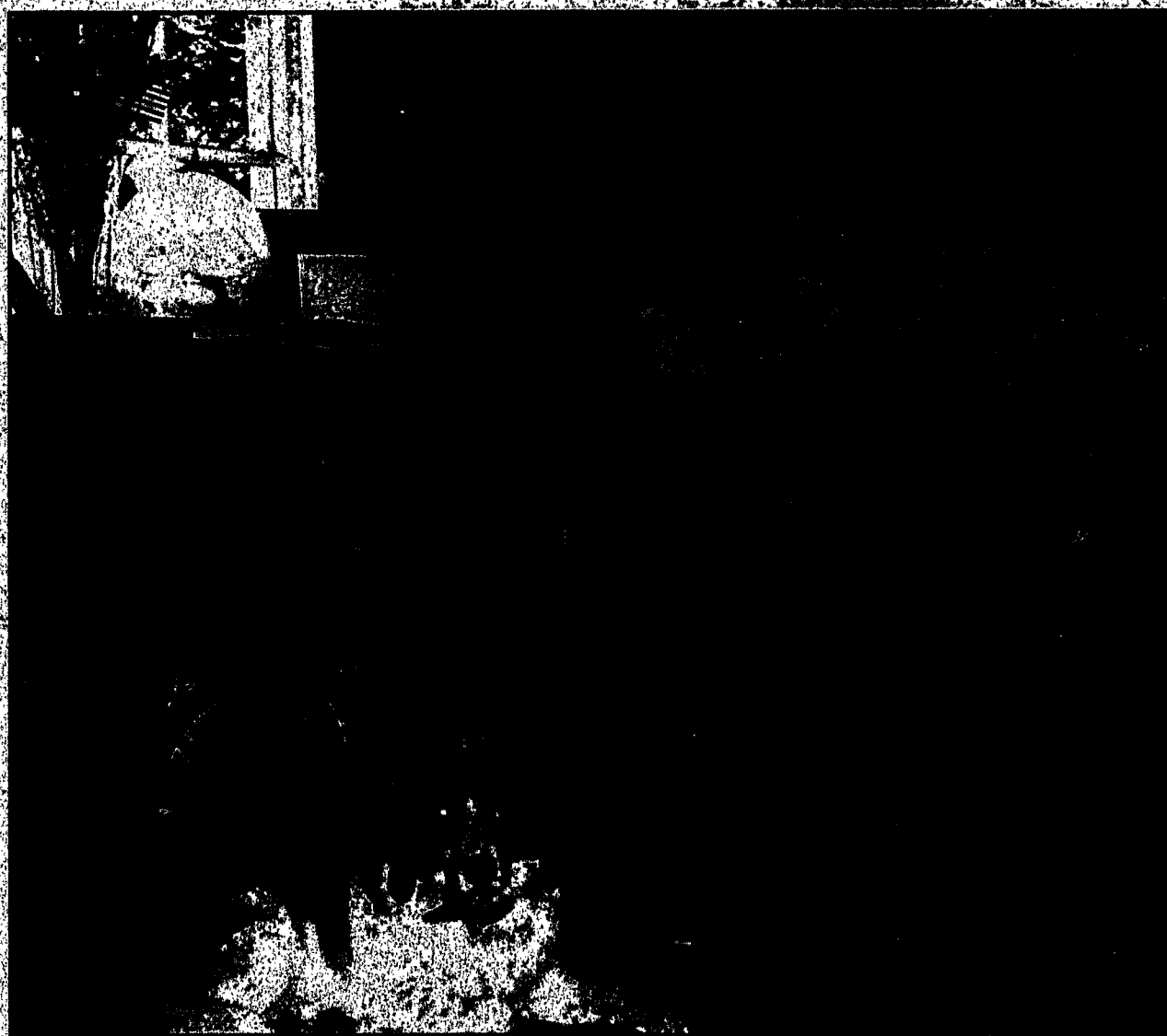
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## ALICE MOSELEY American Original



Top: Alice Moseley in her garden at her home on Booker St. in Bay St. Louis. Above: Miss Alice in her favorite storytelling position with Herman the smiling dog. Her son Tim bought her the chair where she "held court" for both local and out of town visitors to the studio. Bottom: Miss Alice in the latter days of her life with her son Tim. Tim will continue to operate the studio and convert her living quarters into the Alice Moseley Folk Museum. Herman will continue to smile for pictures.

### Acclaimed artist to be remembered in special ceremony Saturday in BSL

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

We all have our own way of doing things and our own spaces to fill," artist Alice Latimer Moseley was fond of saying. And I'm sure the people who knew and loved Miss Alice, which was just about everyone, will agree; no one will ever come close to filling the space she has



left behind. Miss Alice passed away in her home; her beloved bright blue shotgun house on Booker St. in Bay St. Louis, on Friday evening, July 9, while the sun

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## New D'head POA chief sees smooth ride ahead

BY JOHN WATERMAN  
Staff Writer

Lloyd Ramirez, the new president of Diamondhead's Property Owners' Association, is no stranger to running things. Before he retired 10 years ago, Ramirez worked as an engineer and manager for Shell Oil. He has worked all around the country, in cities such as New Orleans,

Houston TX and Ventura, CA.

While working in California, Ramirez was in charge of Shell Oil's entire West Coast operation, which stretched all the way north to Alaska.

Even though running the POA is run on a much smaller scale, it can still be quite a job due to its

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Lloyd Ramirez, the new president of the Diamondhead Property Owners' Association, on his Harley-Davidson motorcycle Tuesday.

Echo staff photo by John Waterman

## Assault charged after dog mauling

### Both pit bull and owner put behind bars after Bayside man attacked

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS  
Publisher Emeritus

A Bayside Park man was mauled by a pit bull early Friday and the dog's owner faces aggravated assault charges, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

Investigator Matt Barnett on Tuesday said, "Robin A. Sager, 42, has been charged with aggravated assault with a weapon, pit bull dog, in connection with the mauling of Robert Seclson at the victim's Como Street address in Bayside Park."

"Apparently there was an argument between the victim, Seclson, and Sager. A witness said Sager retrieved his dog from his auto and turned him on Seclson. Eventually, Sager pulled the dog off Seclson," Barnett said.

Seclson was taken to Hancock Medical Center and transferred to Gulfport

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## Harrison asks Corps to deny DuPont landfill

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

If the Harrison County Board of Supervisors has its way, the DuPont DeLisle Plant will not be constructing a new 32-acre hazardous waste site in a wetlands area located just 1,000 feet from the Bay of St. Louis. The board voted on Monday to send a resolution to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers asking them to deny the plant's request for a permit to fill

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### Chamber After Hours

The Hancock Chamber Business After Hours sponsored by Coast Electric Power Association takes place today from 5-7 p.m. Admission is two business cards. Social will be held in the Coast Electric Conference Room on Main Street.

### LYAC football sign-ups

Lakeshore Youth Athletic Club will be having football registration on July 19, 20, and 21st in the gym from 5:30-7:30p.m. and on July 26, 27, and 28th from 5:30-7:30p.m. For more, call Terri Lee at 463-0516 or 671-9126.

### Red beans, yard sale benefit for Carver

There will be a benefit to help all-star softball player Shelby Carver compete in Waco. Red Beans & Rice plates \$5. Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Pearllington Community Center. Can deliver within 15 miles for orders over \$10. Yard sale Fri. & Sat., 9 a.m. until.

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# 7th annual Blast in the Bay a huge success

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The firemen's Doll and Toy fund received a boost to its savings account to begin their 2004 annual toy drive thanks to classic and street rod car owners at the 7th Annual Champion Blast in the Bay. Members of the Misfits' Krewzers helped firemen produce the show, with a host of other friends.

Local car dealer, Champion Dodge, Chrysler, Jeep, has been the primary show sponsor for the past three years and the winner of the Champion award was Ray Teadt with his 1970 Dodge Super Bee.

People's Choice for best of show car was a 1936 Ford 5 window coupe owned by George Mendel. Mayor Eddie Favre choose Floyd and Donna Holland's 1935 Chevrolet Master Sedan for the Mayor's Award.

A 1957 Ford Fairlane 500 owned by Charly Miller received the Chief's Award selected by Fire Chief Bobby Gavnagie.

There were two "Best of Show" awards for the first time at the Blast, the pre-1950 award was given to Dick Seelina for his 1947 Lincoln Zepher and Mark Dubuison's 1967 Pontiac Firebird Pro Street received the post-1950 award.

Dewey and Ann Parr's 1955 For F-100 received the Best Truck Award, the 1947 Olds Sedan owned by Rick and Shirley Choing received the Best Paint Job Award, and Meg McNally received the award for Best Female-Owned Car.

"We always try to give our participants something different to look forward to when participating in the Blast. This year we had new awards designed by local artist Jenise McCordle of Clay Creations. Her ceramic sculptures were mounted and famed by Blue Heron Frames that everyone loved and coveted. We mixed up the award categories, which added a bit of fun," said the Chief.

Twenty-seven sponsor awards were also given to participants. The local business community provides these awards and most winners were selected by the businesses. If not, awards are presented following the votes of the People's Choice Award, by the participants.

Public Safety Officer Louis Prendergast coordinated the event. "This was my first year to work for the Blast and I'm grateful for all of the help I received, especially Pace Smith and Cathy Perniciaro and the members of Misfits. Judy Brooks donated all proceeds from BE's Sno-Ball sales to the event, and our department's administrative assistant, Tammy Garber, helped not only on event day, but throughout the six months prep time for the Blast," said Prendergast.

The City of Bay Saint Louis provides the building and grounds of the historic depot for the Blast every year with the Beautification Division manicuring the grounds, Friends of the



Depot host the Hot Dog Heaven Refreshment Stand and the Misfits provided the D.J. and music for this year's show.

All revenue received from sponsor awards, registra-

tion, food sales, raffles and vendor space is used to purchase toys and needed items for the Firemen's Doll and Toy Fund which provides Christmas for 700-1,000 children in Hancock County

each year for the past 30 years. For more information on how you can help the Fund reach its goals please contact Garber or Prendergast at the Fire Department, 228-467-4736.

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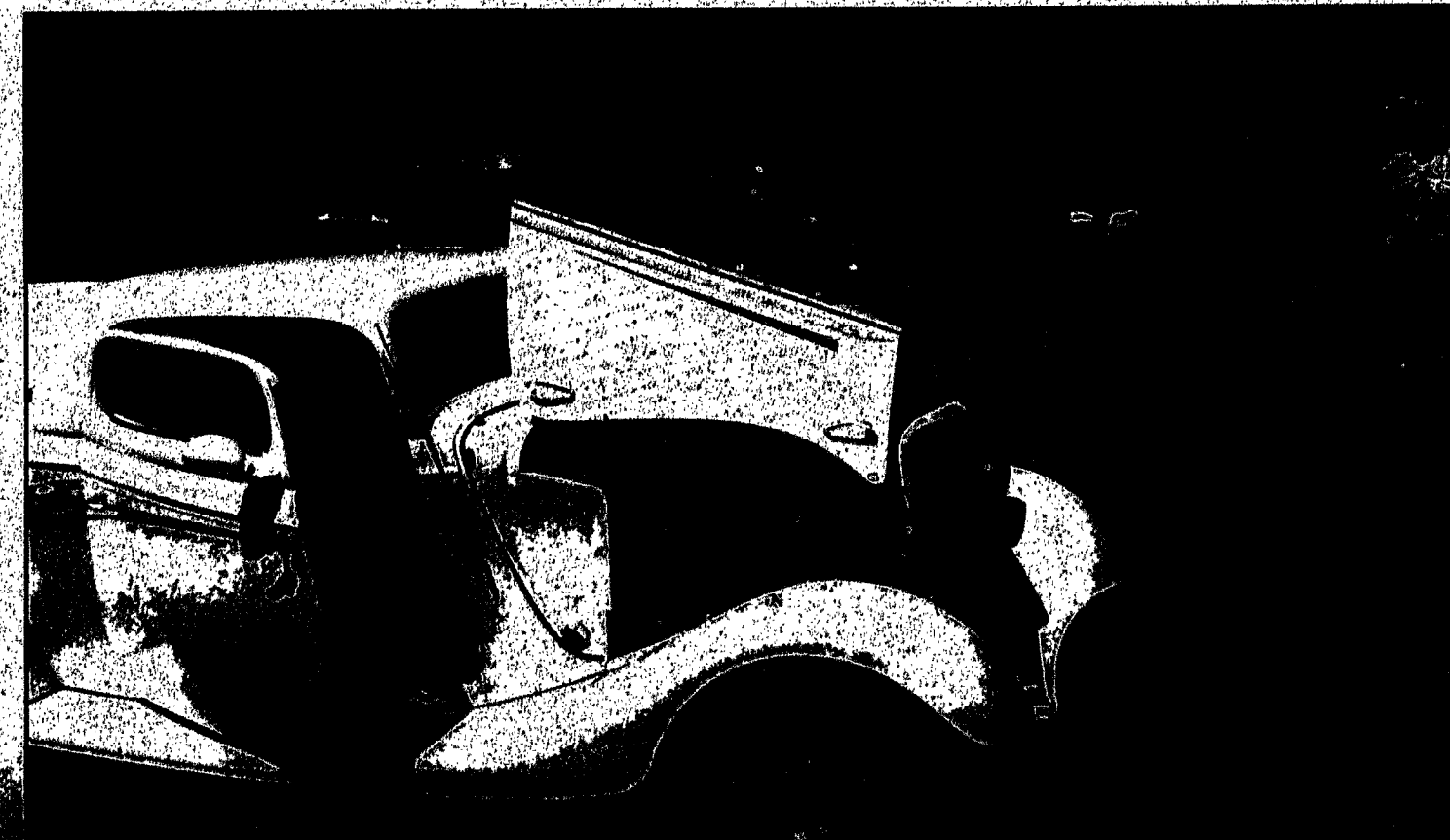
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KEN WILKINSON with American Legion Post #77 of Waveland assists Karen Cotton, right, Waveland Public Library Branch Manager, and Mary Sindors Bouter, Hancock County Library System Trustee, gather flags placed in the Waveland Public Library's book return. Anyone with torn or faded flags that need to be retired can place them in any of the library system's four book returns. They will then be sent to the Waveland Public Library for the American Legion Post #77 to pick up and dispose in the proper manner.

## Construction delays postpone PRCC's Hancock Co. campus

BY JOHN WATERMAN  
Staff Writer

Construction delays have forced Pearl River Community College (PRCC) to postpone the opening of their Hancock County campus.

College President William Lewis said the facility, originally scheduled to open earlier this month in the old Wal-Mart building on Highway 90 in Waveland, was simply not ready.

"The lease agreement called for us to occupy the facility in mid July," Lewis said. "The company is not

ready for us to occupy the building. We'd like to move in, but they're just not ready for us."

Gaynell Roberts, coordinator of Hancock County classes, said the facility forced the delay.

Despite the delays, PRCC will still be offering classes in Hancock County this fall.

Roberts said classes would be held at Bay High and Stennis Space Center until the main facility is ready.

While an expanded selection of classes will be added once the facility opens,

night classes in several subjects will be available for the fall semester.

These classes include calculus, college algebra, world civilization I, transitional English, English I survey of the Old Testament, and Introduction to Business, among others.

More information can be found at Pearl River's web site, <http://www.prc.edu>.

"If it is feasible, we will transfer the classes to the Hancock County facility, once it opens," Roberts said.

Roberts was not sure when the main facility would open, although she

said it would be "as soon as possible."

"You can never tell with construction," she said.

Staff offices will be located in the Coast Inn on Highway 90, Roberts said. These offices will be open beginning August 2.

Roberts said there will be a fish fry on July 23 at the Hancock County Civic Center. Prospective students are encouraged to attend, as administrators from the Hancock County facility will be on hand to answer questions about registration, classes and enrollment.

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## Red Cross seeks help in Hancock

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The American Red Cross Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter service area includes Pearl River, Picayune, Poplarville, Harrison and Hancock Counties. The director of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter is Oscar Barnes.

Long before a disaster occurs, the Red Cross is prepared. They have specific plans in place for each type of disaster.

When the type of disaster is identified, the resources needed and how they will be coordinated and used is decided. The Red Cross chapters also practice by participating in drills and exercises.

Every Red Cross chapter works closely with its disaster partners to ensure there are places to set up shelters and service centers, to make arrangements with vendors for needed supplies, and

work with local merchants.

Having people who are trained and ready is what allows the Red Cross to be able to provide consistent, quality services to people affected by disasters. A class schedule for August will be available by July 21st.

If a disaster occurs, the Red Cross works to help the people affected by the disaster to return to living independently as quickly as possible.

The American Red Cross Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter is looking for businesses or organizations that would be willing to work together as a team and open a shelter if a disaster occurred. The business or organization would be trained by taking specific classes that would allow them to open up a shelter and run that shelter as a team.

For information on hosting a class, taking a class, or volunteering, or for information on getting help, call the Biloxi office at (228) 896-4514 or visit their web site at [www.redcross-mgco.com](http://www.redcross-mgco.com).

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# Opinion

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## Ponderings

By James R. Randy Ponder

### Miss Alice will be missed by all who knew her

Nationally acclaimed folk artist Alice Latimer Moseley died last Friday at her home/studio on Booker Street in Bay St. Louis. She was 94.

Miss Alice was a friend of mine. She was a friend to everyone. And, make no mistake about it, Alice loved Bay Saint Louis, her adopted home.

I first met Miss Alice years ago when she called to report a missing newspaper delivery. She informed me of her age and suggested I might ought to get that newspaper to her right away. I did.

And stayed to visit. I couldn't leave. A five minute trip turned into several hours. I was fascinated, listening to her stories and one-liners, amazed at her sharp wit. To say she was a real character is a big understatement.

From that point on, all guests at the Ponder household and business clients to the Sea Coast Echo, have been required to visit the studio where, "The House is Blue, but the Old Lady Ain't."

Miss Alice moved to the Bay after attending an art show here at the invitation of Jerry Dixon. "I knew this was the place I had been looking for," Alice told me in an interview once. "This town has been wonderful to me, I could never repay the people here for all they have done for me. Coming here was the best move I have ever made."

Born in Birmingham, Alabama in 1909, Miss Alice was a school teacher. She taught eight grade English for 30 years in the Memphis, Tennessee area. "Young people are no worse today than they ever were," she told me once. "They have more temptations, but young people are just fine. It's the parents and lack of school discipline that's the problem. They're afraid of being sued."

She first started painting at age 60. Her mother suffered from Alzheimer's disease. "It's such a terrible disease, there's nothing you can do," she had explained. "I don't think my mother, even knew who I was. I was a little resentful and that's when I started my painting. It was therapy for me." Had it not been for her mother's illness she would have continued teaching. "My painting is a gift from my mother."

Bay St. Louis and Waveland honored Miss Alice in 1996, proclaiming "Alice Moseley Day"

in the two cities and hosting a gala reception. There is a children's room at Hancock Medical Center dedicated to her. She had also been featured many times in regional magazines, this and other publications. Last year, she was honored by the University of Mississippi at a reception in Oxford where many of her friends and former students from the Memphis area were able to attend.

Anyone who knew Miss Alice also knew Herman the beagle, her photogenic companion. She rescued him from the animal shelter. Pull out a camera to take a picture of Miss Alice, and Herman would run to her side and pose. Herman will continue to greet visitors when they enter the studio.

My family returned home during the Thanksgiving holidays last year after an out-of-town visit with relatives to find several phone messages from Miss Alice. "Please call me." Then, "you better hurry up and call me." And finally something to the effect that we were ignoring her.

Turns out that she had baked one of her famous black walnut cakes! My wife Sherry hurried over to the studio and brought some home. Next time I saw Miss Alice, she wanted to know if I liked the cake. It was great I replied. "Well," she stated, "If you had been home and if you had come over when I first called, like you should have, it would have been even better!"

She once said that when she got to the point where she could no longer paint, she wanted to write down or record her stories. "That's just what I need, a third career!" she laughed.

A video entitled, "Hello, I'm Alice Moseley," was just recently released. It captures a number of her stories for future generations. She was very proud of the project, not because of her art, but because she believed teaching to be her true success in life.

I will miss Alice. A community celebration of Alice's life will take place this Saturday in the Bay St. Louis Depot at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited. I will be there.

Her son, Tim, plans to keep the studio open and make it into a museum.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alice Latimer Moseley Folk Museum, 214 Booker Street, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520.

## Starting to get organized

W henever you talk about the Mississippi Democratic

Party, you have to think of what humorist Will Rogers once said, that he didn't belong to an organized political party, he was a Democrat.

Now even Mississippi Democrats have come to realize that in the 21st century political arena, driven by money and organization, they face a well-oiled Republican state machinery. So state Democrats are

launching a campaign to reinvigorate the state party under new leadership.

This time, however, Mississippi Democrats seem serious about getting reorganized to check the Republican apparatus from winning more public offices.

Over the past weekend, Democrats tapped former U.S. Rep. Wayne Dowdy, a well-known force in state politics, to take over the party chairmanship and generate sorely needed

financial support for Democratic candidates, especially for the Legislature.

They are aware, too, that Republican Gov. Haley Barbour, in whacking 65,000 needy and working-poor Mississippians off state Medicaid rolls, has handed them the best ammunition they've had in years to rally the troops.

Barbour, the guy who won the governor's job with supposedly unmatched political smarts, made a colossal blunder by pushing through legislation that left thousands of recipients—many of whom voted for him—panicky over losing their present medicine benefits under Medicare.

His administration has failed to convince those cut from state program that they would keep similar medical benefits under his plan. It switches them in

September into the federal-run Medicare program. They would otherwise be forced to go there in January, 2006 if the new Bush Administration Medicare Reform law is not revised by Congress.

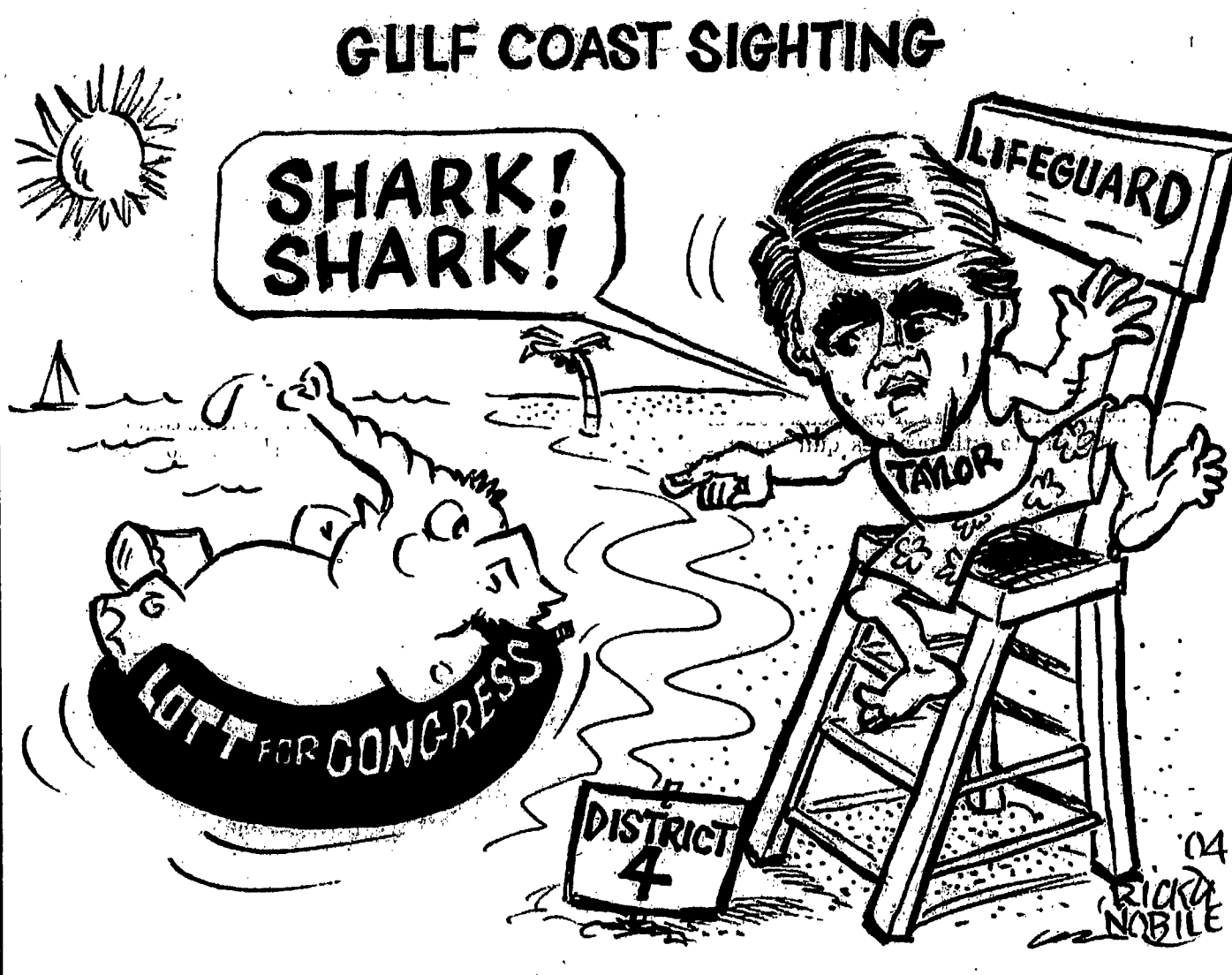
Protest rallies at the Capitol and around the state, together with news coverage devoted to the Medicaid cutoff, have focused attention of Mississippians that Democratic state lawmakers, especially the House, opposed the Medicaid cuts while Republicans backed them.

"This has done more than anything to emphasize the image of what Democrats have always stood for," said

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### Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor



### Letters to the Editor



### 'Gentlemen's' Clubs or 'Voyeur' Clubs?

Editor: In 17th century New England, a step on the way to proving to one's friends, neighbors and relatives that he was predestined to be with God after death was for a man to acquire the title "Gentleman". By 21st century dictionary definition a gentleman is "a man of good breeding, education and manners, civilized, sensitive, of good social standing, who doesn't work for a living." I am retired and I have a doctorate, so I meet

two of the seven requirements above. Therefore I would probably be denied entrance into the proposed "Gentlemen's" Clubs. These private enterprise establishments are protected by the first amendment to the United States Constitution according to our courts if they do not simply appeal to prurient interests and have redeeming social merit. Prurient is defined as "having, inclined

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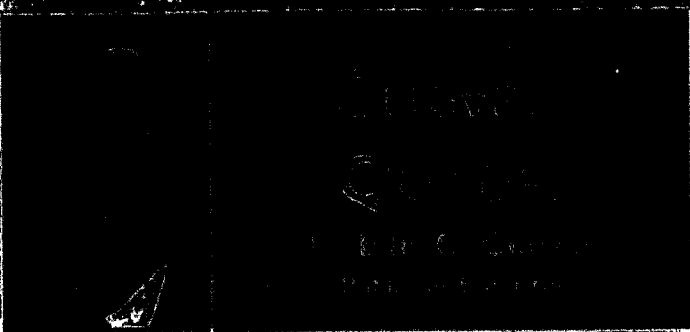
The sponsor is Coast Electric Power Association and the *After Hours* will be held in Conference Room Behind the Shell Service Station on Main Street, Bay St. Louis.

The theme of this evening is "Celebrate Summer," and as usual Coast Electric will have some very good snacks and refreshments.

I hope to see you this evening at the *After Hours*.

P.S. Remember to bring along a couple business cards, as there will be door prizes.

Sometimes I ask myself this question, Are we win-



ning the battle against litter?

As one drives around the area, litter seems to still be along our roads and streets, especially in the unincorporated areas.

Now this is not saying it does not exist in the incorporated areas, because there are areas where it does.

Annually the City of Bay St. Louis, City of Waveland, Hancock County and State Highway Department spend thousands, and that

is many thousands of dollars on litter control.

A section of a road, or highway can be cleaned this morning and by afternoon, it will already have litter.

I realize law enforcement officers have many more serious things to do than write litter tickets, but, if just a few were written, it may make a difference.

Community service fines are great too for litter violators.

Anyway, I hope more

people will continue to be more cautious and not litter from their vehicles.

Someone to pick on truck drivers about many people think paper and even drink cans tossed in the back will stay in the vehicle. Wrong, as when the driver speeds up, the paper and cans seem to find a way out of the back of a truck in most cases.

I do really want to thank those very concerned citizens, who have taken it upon themselves to collect litter in their neighborhoods.

The numbers of the good citizens appear to be increasing, there are several I see in Bay St. Louis on a regular basis and they are really making a difference.

With the help of everyone, we can become *Litter Free*.

to have, or characterized by lascivious or lustful thoughts, desires."

As private enterprise establishments they are in business to make a profit. These profits will undoubtedly depend upon the sale of alcohol.

We in Hancock County seem to have our own "killing fields," called the 603 and highway 90. There seems to be a high rate of death on these highways without factoring in alcohol consumption. What would

M.A.D.D. have to say about that?

"Every private enterprise that sells alcohol for profit provides an attraction to entice people to come consume alcohol there. Apparently 'voyeurism' is the practice of obtaining sexual gratification by looking at sexual objects or acts," is going to be that attraction in these cases. Shouldn't they be called: "Voyeur Clubs?"

Dr. Philip A. Ramseyer  
Diamondhead

## The Arts to meet

The Arts, Hancock County Mississippi will be holding their quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 31 at the Hancock County Public Library in Bay St. Louis.

The event will open with a planning session from 10 until noon. This session will focus on the development of goals, objectives, budgets and timelines for future events. A general members meeting will follow, from noon until 1 p.m., members will receive reports on focus meetings and the planning session.

Any concerns voiced by members will also be addressed at this time. At 1 p.m., a picnic pot luck meal will be held in the building. Plates, silverware and cold drinks will be provided.

The Arts, Hancock County Mississippi was formed as an umbrella organization to bring together all of the artists in the county. Any interested

persons are invited to attend the general meeting and the potluck picnic. There will be opportunities for new members to join the organization. For more information, visit the web site at [www.hancock-art.com](http://www.hancock-art.com), or call 467-1007.

## Minor -- organization

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Dowdy as he took over the party chairmanship from Rickey Cole.

"We are the party which looks out for the needs of people, the little people, and Mississippians should be reminded of our core values," the 60-year-old Dowdy declared.

Four elderly couples recently visited him in his McComb law office, distraught over losing their Medicare drugs, he said. "All of them voted for Barbour, and now they wish they had their vote back," Dowdy added.

In sharp contrast to the racial split that plagued state Democratic Executive Committee decisions in years past, the transfer of the party leadership from one white chairman to another was accomplished last week-end by a unanimous vote of the biracial committee.

Significantly, this year marks the 40th anniversary of the historic challenge brought by the Mississippi Freedom Democratic delegation to unseat the all-white regular Mississippi

Democratic delegation at the National Democratic convention in Atlantic City.

Included in the Mississippi Freedom delegation were some of the most noted civil rights activists of that time, notably Robert Moses and the late Fannie Lou Hamer. Her testimony before the credentials committee so stirred the convention that the challengers were awarded two at-large seats and the Regulars were required to sign a mild loyalty pledge.

The state's regulars, thereupon were ordered by Gov. Paul Johnson to come home (five, however, did remain). Meantime the Freedom group rejected the offer of two seats, but made themselves quite visible as convention guests.

The Mississippi challenge triggered such a furor throughout the convention that an alarmed President Lyndon Johnson ordered FBI agents and Secret Service men to surround the area reserved for the mostly vacant Mississippi seats when he appeared before

the convention.

What resulted from the challenge was an historic shift in Southern Democratic politics. When it became indelibly clear that neither Mississippi nor other Dixie states could continue excluding blacks from participating in state party decisions, many white Democrats began defecting to the Republican Party.

Dowdy sees the Democratic contingent in the Mississippi House as the key building block in erecting a new and stronger state Democratic Party.

Before House Speaker Billy McCoy recently became ill, Dowdy said he had met with him and got his blessing to make the state party more proactive in legislative affairs and put party resources behind sending Democrats to the Legislature. He also was endorsed by members of the Legislative Black Caucus.

"While we've slept, the Republicans have been electing more lawmakers, as they did recently in the special election to replace Rep. Bobby Moody of Louisville,"

he said.

Dowdy, had formerly been McComb's mayor and was elected to four terms in the U.S. House from Mississippi's old Fourth district before he collided in 1988 with then-U.S. Rep. Trent Lott for John Stennis, Senate seat.

While carrying more counties than Lott, and winning in three of the five Congressional districts, Dowdy narrowly lost the election as Lott pulled a heavy vote in three predominantly Republican urban counties.

Dowdy says he will draw no salary as Democratic chairman and will utilize his statewide political contacts to build state Democratic coffers.

He has no illusions that Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry will be favored carry Mississippi in November, but he strongly believes the addition of North Carolina Sen. John Edwards to the ticket will strengthen Kerry's chances.

"We just might surprise some people in Mississippi in November," he added.

## Kids fishing rodeo set for July 24th

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS  
Publisher Emeritus

The 20th Gulf Coast Sportsman Club Kids Fishing Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, July 24, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The free fishing rodeo is open to boys and girls ages 13 and under, according to Claude Garcia, chairman.

The rodeo headquarters will be at Pavilion No. 1 at Buccaneer State Park, Beach Boulevard, Waveland.

Registration is free and forms will be available at Buccaneer State Park Pavilion No. 1 beginning at 8 a.m. on rodeo day, Garcia said.

In the freshwater division prizes will be awarded for the largest green trout (bass) and perch.

Prizes will be awarded in the saltwater division for the largest speckled trout, redfish, white trout, floun-

der, croaker, ground mullet and largest fish.

A king fisherman and queen fisherette will be selected from ages 8-13.

The rodeo officials will not be responsible for undersized fish, warned Mike Favre, club president.

No undersized fish will be accepted and parents are urged to have their children comply with state and federal regulations, (flounder, speckled trout and redfish), Favre emphasized.

He also emphasized no catfish and stingrays will be accepted. "This is for the safety of the children," Garcia said.

There will be a special crab division for ages six and under. All fish must be caught by the participants on the day of the rodeo in any waters in the area from piers, shorelines, boats or wading.

Sportsman's Club mem-

bers will handle the scales and the weighmaster's decisions are final. Each participant will also receive a free hot dog and coke, Garcia said. Trophies will be given for first, second and third place in each category and drawings will be held for a

large number of prizes.

Many of the prizes for the rodeo have been donated to the Sportsman's Club by local merchants.

Garcia said if any merchant is interested in making a donation, they may contact him at 467-0870.

## Bay St. Louis Bridal Expo

Bay Occasions will host the first annual Bridal Expo of Bay St. Louis on Sunday, July 18, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center.

There will be two fashion shows to display the latest in formal wear at 12 and 3. Admission is free to the public and everyone is encour-

aged to come out and enjoy sample foods from local caterers as well as have a chance at one of many door prizes.

Booths are still available if anyone is interested in participating. For more information, please call Jennifer Weems at 228-547-2824.

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# Optech International director to teach airborne laser mapping at Southern Miss

**THE SEA COAST ECHO**  
Students in The University of Southern Mississippi's Department of Marine Science will have the opportunity this fall for firsthand experience with one of the world's most technologically advanced survey systems.

Optech International, a subsidiary of Toronto-based Optech Inc., will sponsor a graduate-level course on airborne laser technology this fall within Southern Miss, Department of Marine Science. Optech Inc. is the world's leading manufacturer of airborne laser mapping technology.

"Over the past several years, The University of Southern Mississippi's dedication to teaching and research in hydrographic science has resulted in the creation of a world-class academic program," said Dr. Grady Tuell, managing director of Optech International.

Tuell is now a new adjunct professor for the Southern Miss Department of Marine Science. "I will teach a graduate course on the topic of airborne laser technology and its application to surveying problems in shallow water and coastal mapping environments," Tuell said. "I will rely upon my Optech colleagues, both here and in Canada, to assure that we create a challenging and interesting course. I will bring in guest lecturers who are truly world-class authorities in all aspects of laser mapping technology."

Optech International has also donated \$250,000 worth of hydrographic laser-specific software for student education and research associated with the course.

"Currently, no university teaches graduate-level courses in bathymetric airborne laser mapping," Tuell said. "I'd like to see



Dr. Grady Tuell is welcomed to the Department of Marine Science as an adjunct faculty member by several members of the department's faculty at the John C. Stennis Space Center. From left are Dr. Jerald Caruthers, Dr. Stephan Howden, Dr. Vladimir Kamenkovich, Tuell, Dr. Donald Redalje, Dr. Dmitri Nechaev, Dr. Charlotte Brunner, and Dr. Alan Shiller. Tuell is holding a letter formalizing his adjunct professorship. He will begin teaching airborne laser technology in the fall.

Southern Miss become an academic center of expertise in this technology, and in the fusion of airborne laser data with other data sets which ultimately improve our understanding of the shallow water environment."

Tuell's expertise in this relatively new technology will expand curriculum for current Ph.D. candidates in the Department of Marine Science who are seeking a doctorate in marine science with a concentration in hydrographic science.

"We currently have two students seeking that degree right now," said Don Roman, director of Southern Miss, Hydrographic Science Research Center at Stennis. "This (doctoral) level course is simply not available anywhere else and adding this to their curriculum will be a tremendous benefit to their degree program."

The new course will also benefit students seeking the master's degree in hydro-

graphic science, as airborne laser mapping is becoming an extremely useful tool in the surveyor's arsenal.

Optech's system combines a powerful, probing laser radar, or "lidar," and high-speed electronics on an airborne platform, usually a small airplane. By surveying water depths from the air, the lidar avoids the time and access problems that hinder survey platforms on the water.

"This is an evolving technology in hydrographic science and one that we're pleased our students will learn more about from Dr. Tuell," Roman said.

Tuell received his doctoral and master's degrees from Ohio State University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia. Before assuming his current position with Optech, Tuell completed 20 years of active duty with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. He was also

an associate professor in the Department of Civil and Coastal Engineering for two years at the University of Florida.

Optech International established offices at Stennis Space Center in 2001, providing the company with proximity to government customers and academic collaborators. Last month, the company relocated to new offices at the Stennis Airport.

The Southern Miss Department of Marine Science is strategically

located at Stennis Space Center in Hancock County, Miss., home to the world's largest population of oceanographers and hydrographers. The department offers both master's and doctoral degrees in marine science and a master's degree in hydrographic science.

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## Beach clean-up, kayak demo and skim board competition

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After the beach is clean, complimentary kayak demonstrations for every-

one. And for your afternoon enjoyment, join us for the "Summer Skim-off" Skim Board Competition, prizes awarded for performance and style. Watch or participate it's up to you, all ages welcome. The fun begins at 10 a.m., the skim board competition will be at low tide. For additional information, contact Da Beach House at 604 South Beach Blvd. or call 467-9477.

## N. Hancock Pee Wee Football & Cheerleader Association Registration

**THE SEA COAST ECHO**  
North Hancock Pee Wee Football & Cheerleader Association will be holding registration for the 2004-2005 football year. Registration will be held at the North Hancock football field on Saturday July 17th.

The registration times will be from 9:00 a.m. until noon on both days. Registration fee is \$45.00

per child. We do offer discounts for siblings registration. Please bring the following information to registration: copy of birth certificate, a current picture of the child, and health insurance card.

We look forward to seeing you there ...GO HAWKS! Please contact Chuck Seal @ 586-1274 or Anji King @ 216-4320.

## HMC babysitting class rescheduled

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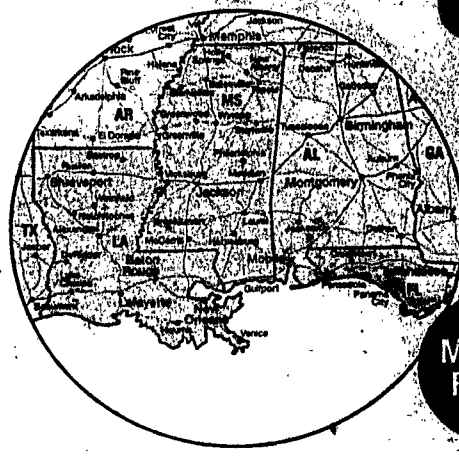
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# Boys & Girls Club summer program keeps Second St. Elementary hopping

**By J. B. BARNES**  
**PHOTOGRAPH BY J. B. BARNES**  
 Parents may drive by Second Street Elementary School in Bay St. and think this summer and think they've forgotten something.

"My gosh," they may think. "Has school started already? Should Susie be in class?"

Relax, Mom. The truant officer won't be after you anytime soon. Although Susie may be miffed when she goes back to school and talks to some of her classmates about how much fun they had by participating in the Hancock County Boys & Girls Club summer program.

"Why didn't I get to go?" she may well ask.

Ebony Jackson, 12, and Nathan Kramber, 9, are happy to be part of the club's summer program. Jackson lives in Jackson and participates in a Boys & Girls Club there but is visiting her father on the Coast this summer. Nathan, 9, lives in Diamondhead.

Ebony's favorite activities are playing kickball, art, gym and recess.

She likes the club staff.

"They're nice, gentle, fun to be with. It's a great place to be. You have a lot of friends to play with."

This is Nathan's first experience with the club.

"We have art," he said. "We go outside for a lot of stuff. Sometimes we go to the beach. We go fishing, we go to the gym."

The Hancock County Club, the newest unit of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast, started operations in January with an after-school program. It debuted its first summer program in June.

The new club provides year-round fun and learning for kids, and worry-free safety for parents who don't want their youngsters unsupervised after school or during the summer.

Membership fees are a mere \$5 a year per child.

"We have a total of 297 active members," Club Director, Richie Santiago said. "Our average daily attendance this summer is 225 youngsters ages five to 15."

The program has 19 staff members, including program instructors for a variety of activities. The Bay St.

Louis Waveland School District provides the program, which includes breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack.

So what do the youngsters do from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. five days a week? Well, what don't they do?

There's a summer reading program, an introduction to theatre via a play production sponsored by the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre, sports programs that include basketball, football, kickball, baseball, volleyball and, Santiago said, "other games the kids come up with that I have no idea what they're called."

The art program runs the gamut from finger-painting, collages, drawing and crocheting.

Interested youngsters may study sign language two days a week if they like.

"We don't want to make them take part in anything," Santiago said. "They can choose what to participate in."

Field trips include fishing, bowling, going to the beach and visiting Marine Life.

Youngsters also are introduced to the rewards of vol-

unteering. Participants recently spent a Friday morning cleaning up the yard of a local church.

Judy Fletcher, the child nutrition administrator for the school district, said the district is feeding 361 youngsters, including about 200 from the Boys & Girls Club.

"We provide a nutritionally-balanced meal, just the same as during the school year," she said. "We're delighted to do it."

Said Fletcher: "We probably feed around 125 kids in the club for breakfast. A lot of them come in a little later."

What are the most popular foods? "Pizza," Fletcher said without hesitation. And chicken nuggets. For breakfast, sausage biscuits. And they like sausage on a stick.

Mindful that it's school vacation time, Fletcher said, "We try to have a little more fun during the summer, with ice cream sandwiches and fudge bars."

Both Ebony and Nathan listed pizza as their favorite food. "We have it maybe once a week or so," Nathan said with obvious delight.

Nathan said the club is preferable to spending the summer at home.

"I don't have anything to do there, and here you have fun," he said. "One of my friends is coming next year because I told him about it."

"The staff is really working hard, and the community has stepped up to help," Santiago said. "Also, our parents have been very supportive and very appreciative."

Santiago laughed. "It's been crazy. But it's been a good crazy."

## WAVELAND

John Thomas Longo, Mayor

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION CITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland have ordered a special election for the purpose of electing an individual to the office of Alderman, Ward 1. Said special election shall be conducted on Tuesday, August 17, 2004; all persons wishing to qualify shall do so by application and petition (provided by Municipal Clerk) and filed with the municipal clerk by 12:00 NOON on Saturday, August 7, 2004; and petition shall be signed by not less than fifty (50) qualified electors. All qualifiers shall run as independent candidates, in accordance with Code Section 23-15-857.

If no candidate shall receive a majority vote at the election, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall have their names placed on the ballot for the election to be held one (1) week thereafter on August 24, 2004. The polling location for said election shall be open at 7:00 a.m. and kept open until 7:00 p.m. on the aforesaid date and all qualified electors of the City of Waveland, Ward 1, registered to vote by the registration deadline, Saturday, July 17, 2004 at 12:00 NOON, will be entitled to vote in said election.

Ordered, this the 6th day of July, 2004, Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland, Mississippi.



Tribe Benazir shows children the art of Turkish folk dances recently at the Bay St. Louis Branch of the Hancock County Library System's "Step to the beat... and read!" summer reading program. Below: The Komenka group presents dances of the world.



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The Far-Out Far East Rickshaw Rally is an exotic race that will challenge racers with twists and unexpected turns as they dash through the streets of Tokyo, climb Mount Fuji, dive for pearls in the Sea of

Japan, and speed on bullet trains by rice fields and cherry trees. To complete the course, racers will brave many contests, but the ultimate prize is within every racer's grasp.

This week of fun, food, and far east mystique is free of charge and open to everyone. Call 469-0110 for more information.

### Movie Madness Month

Enjoy a movie, popcorn and a Coke during Movie Madness Month at the Pearlington Public Library every Tuesday in July from 1-3 p.m. The movies include Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas, A Bug's Life, Stitch The Movie, and Walt Disney's The Incredibly Journey. For more, contact Deborah Hill at 533-0755.

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**MARGIE RAINI**  
**ROWENA SHIYOU**  
**BILL STALLWORTH, JR.**  
**ROBERT WALKER**

**ANTHONY BRECHTEL**  
 Anthony Charles Brechtel, 42, of Kiln, MS died Sunday, July 11, 2004 in Kiln, MS.

He was a native of Stuttgart, AR and a resident of Kiln, MS. He was of the Methodist Faith. He was a Veteran serving in the U.S. Air Force.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wilburn and Virginia Simms Brechtel; and a sister, Sharon Jones.

Survivors include 2 sons, Dustin Brechtel and Brian Brechtel both of Little Rock, AR; 2 brothers, Wilburn L. Brechtel of Gulfport, MS and Michael H. Brechtel of Saucier, MS; 2 sisters, Cindy McCormick of Little Rock, AR and Susan Samuels of Adona, AR.

A Visitation will be held Thursday, July 15, 2004 from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis, MS.

The Graveside Service will be held Thursday, July 15, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at Biloxi National Cemetery, Biloxi, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the Arrangements.

**BERNARD BRINK**  
 Bernard Eugene Brink, 65, of Waveland, died July 13, 2004 in Waveland, MS.

He was a native of New Orleans, LA, born March 15, 1939 and a resident of Waveland, MS. He was of the Catholic faith and a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland, MS. He was a Veteran serving in the U.S. Army. He served as Custodian of the Waveland Elementary School for over 10 years and West Jefferson Hospital in New Orleans, LA for 13 years before retiring in 2001 when he returned to Waveland, MS.

He was preceded in death by his birth parents, Edwin H. Brink, Sr. and Ione C. Rogers and his beloved Step-father, Clyde L. Roger.

Survivors include 2 sons, Benny B. Brink of Kilo, Hawaii and Daniel C. Brink of Honolulu, Hawaii; a brother, Edwin H. Brink, Jr. of Waveland, MS; 2 half brothers, Daryl and Bruce of New Orleans, LA; 2 half sisters, Cheryl and Debbie of New Orleans, LA.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2004 from 10-11 a.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS.

The Prayer Service will follow at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment will follow in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery & Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

**ANGLEAN BURTON**  
 Anglean Benard Burton, 99, of Picayune, died July 7, 2004 in Picayune, MS.

She was a native of Bay St. Louis, MS. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the Lighthouse International Pentecostal church and was the Church Mother, Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Prayer Warrior and a inspiration to family and friends. She made two missionary journeys to Costa Rica in Central America.

Survivors include her son, Pastor Harvey Burton Benard, one daughter, Karen Janell Jones, both of Picayune, MS. A great nephew whom she raised as

her son, Elder Paul Edward Field of Picayune, MS and 2 granddaughters.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2004 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. with funeral services to follow in Picayune Centraplex, 1308 South Haugh St.

Burial will be in the Picayune Cemetery. The Rev. Charles Brumfield will officiate at the services.

Baylous Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

**JULIA COYNE**  
 Julia Cropper Coyne, age 82 and a resident of Pass Christian, died Monday, July 12, 2004, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Coyne was a native of Fernwood, in Pike County, and moved to the coast in 1945. She attended Millsaps College in Jackson, MS, and King's College in Virginia. She previously worked for Mississippi Power Co., the U. S. Air Force, and the Department of Agriculture. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Gulfport.

Mrs. Coyne was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest and Julia Magruder Cropper; and a brother, Nathaniel Cropper.

Survivors include her husband, John F. Coyne; a sister, Ernestine Cropper, both of Pass Christian; two nephews, Buddy Cropper, of Long Beach; and Kevin Keough, of Boston, MA; and three nieces, Julia Arceneaux, of Long Beach; Betty Cropper, of Diamondhead; and Marilyn Clement, of Gaithersburg, MD.

Visitation will be at Riemann Funeral Home, 25th Avenue in Gulfport, on Thursday, July 15, 2004, from 1:00 p.m. until the service at 2:00 p.m. Burial will follow in Southern Memorial Park and Mausoleum in Biloxi.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 2301 15th St., Gulfport, MS 39501.

**TINA HINCHMAN**  
 Tina Hinchman, age 47 and a resident of Pass Christian, died Thursday, July 8, 2004, in Pass Christian.

Ms. Hinchman, a native of Biloxi, was retired from the U. S. Army and was a resident of the Coast since 1990. She was a graduate of MS Gulf Coast Community College, and received her bachelor's degree from the University of South Alabama.

Ms. Hinchman was preceded in death by her father, Ernest Hinchman.

Survivors include a son, Will Jerde, of Pass Christian; two daughters, Elizabeth Jerde, of El Paso, Texas; and Angel Acosta, of Ocean Springs; her mother and stepfather, Peggy and Fred Frederick, of Biloxi; a brother, Ernest Hinchman, of Woolmarket; three sisters, Dianna Harrell, of Greenville; Donna Adams, and Angela Morgan, both of Biloxi; three grandchildren, Tatyana Jerde, Gabby Acosta, and Alexis Acosta; and eight nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was conducted on Tuesday, July 13, 2004, in the National Cemetery in Biloxi.

Riemann Funeral Home, 25th Avenue in Gulfport, was in charge of arrangements.

**EILEEN LADNER**  
 Eileen Kay Ladner, age 59, and a resident of DeLisle went to meet her Savior on July 8. Born July 11, 1944 to the late Diserre and Jaunita Ladner.

Eileen was preceded in death by four sisters; Luvy Ward, Hilda Garriga, Vertie Waters, Etheleen Ladner; three brothers, Nelson Ladner, Emmett Ladner, and Eldon Ladner.

She is survived by one sister, Beverly Stairs; one brother, Floyd Ladner; she is also survived by her caregivers, Flora, Gwen, Janny and Kristie Ladner.

Visitation was held July 12, 2004, at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday, July 13, 2004, at St. Stephens Catholic Church, in DeLisle. Interment followed at Alphonse Malley Cemetery, Hancock County, MS.

**LILLIE LIND**  
 Lillie Mae Lind, a native of Hancock County, MS, died Friday, July 9, 2004 in her residence in Picayune, MS. She was a homemaker and a member of the Lee's Chapel #2 Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her two husbands: Jessie Cuevas Sr. and Cornelius Lind.

Her Survivors include: 1 son, Jessie Willard Cuevas Jr. of Pass Christian, MS; 3 daughters, Essie Stewart of Long Beach, MS, Patsy Verdin of Marrero, LA, and Frances Karleen Lee of Picayune, MS; 12 Grandchildren, 28 Great Grandchildren, and 7 Great Great Grandchildren; 1 brother, Tony Hoda of Gulfport, MS; 2 sisters, Ida Carver of Magnolia, MS, and Lucille Patterson of Saucier, MS.

Funeral Services were held Monday, July 12, 2004 in the McDonald Funeral Home Chapel, with burial in the Jourdan River Cemetery. The Rev. Lavelle Lee officiated.

**KATIE LUSTER**  
 Katie Mae Luster, 77, of Picayune, MS died Monday, July 12, 2004 in Picayune, MS.

She was a native of Paulding, MS. She was a member of the Pilgrim Rest Baptist in Winnfield, MS.

Survivors include 3 daughters, Alberta Smith of Picayune, MS; Annie Mae Satcher of Hayward, CA; Betty Ann Pikes of Winnfield, LA; 2 sons, Leon Satcher of Hattiesburg, MS; John Satcher of Picayune, MS; 4 brothers, Matthew Ellis, Jimmy Ellis, Gilbert Ellis, and Willie Ellis; 4 sisters, Joann Garrett, Mary Roberts, Lola Newson and Beverly Gray; 17 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2004 from 10-11 a.m. with funeral services to follow at 11 a.m. in Pleasant Valley Baptist Church. The Rev. Borzell Langham will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Picayune Cemetery.

**HENRIETTA MITCHEL**  
 Henrietta Sprada Mitchel, 99, of New Orleans, LA died Monday, July 12, 2004 in Slidell, LA.

She was a native of New Orleans, LA and a longtime resident of Waveland, MS before moving back to New Orleans, LA. She was of the Lutheran Faith and a member of Lutheran Village Church in Lacombe, LA.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arnold H. Mitchel; son, John Charles Mitchel; parents, John & Marie Wolpner Sprada; and brother, Capt. Siegfried Sprada.

Survivors include daughter-in-law, Shirley Mitchel of Baton Rouge, LA; a godchild, June Dakin of New Orleans, LA; 1 grandchild and 4 great grandchildren.

The graveside services will be held Friday, July 16, 2004 at 11 a.m. at Waveland Cemetery. Interment to follow.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

**ALICE MOSELEY**  
 Alice Latimer Moseley, nationally acclaimed folk artist, died Friday, July 9, 2004, at 6:30 p.m. in her much-loved home/studio at 214 Booker St. in Bay St. Louis.

Miss Alice's earlier career was as an eighth-grade English teacher in the Memphis City Schools, and

it was her teaching that she considered her most important work. She was in touch with many of her former students up until her death.

She began painting at the age of 60 and was a successful artist in Memphis, but she fell in love with Bay St. Louis and her heart and her spirit will always belong to Bay St. Louis and the wonderful people who live and visit there.

Her home/studio will continue normal hours of 10 a.m.-5 p.m., seven days a week and will be converted into the Alice Moseley Folk Art and Antique Museum, dedicated to doing good works in the Bay St. Louis community.

Miss Alice is survived by her son, W.L. Tim Moseley of Pass Christian; a sister, Colleen Kirby and her family in California; a nephew, Mike Krawcheck and his family in her birthplace of Birmingham, Ala.; and her best friend and companion, Herman, the photogenic beagle. Her close friends, sponsors, and patrons were many, but she requested that special mention be made of Jerry Dixon, who she credited with getting her career established in Bay St. Louis; Beth Carriere, who promoted Miss Alice just about as aggressively as Miss Alice promoted herself; Sherry Ponder, a long-time friend, who was especially kind in those final days; and Dale St. Amant, who was a rock upon whom she depended.

Miss Alice is to be cremated at the Picayune Funeral Home. Her memorial service will be held at the Bay St. Louis Depot on July 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Alice Latimer Moseley was born on December 21, 1909 and was 94 years old at the time of her death. She will be in the memory of many of us for always. Her life provides a superb example of how life can be lived with dignity, the doing of good deeds, a sense of humor and the tenacity to make one's dreams come true.

**RAYMOND PUCHEU, JR.**

Raymond Joseph Pucheu, Jr., 51, of Bay St. Louis, MS died Sunday, July 11, 2004 in N. Myrtle Beach, SC.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis, MS. He was of the Catholic Faith.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond Joseph and Annabelle Farve Pucheu, Sr.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Pucheu of Bay St. Louis, MS; 2 daughters, Dana Jarrell & husband, Amos; Jessica Garriag & husband, Jeremy all of Kiln, MS; son, Raymond Pucheu & wife, Tegan of Bay St. Louis, MS; sister, Betty Criddle of Bay St. Louis, MS; 4 grandchildren, Jessalynn Fricke, Emily York, Kaile Lee & Jacey Garriga.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2004 from 7-10 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis, MS.

The Memorial service will follow in the funeral home chapel. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to family.

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age 76 and a resident of Kiln, died Saturday, July 10, 2004, in Kiln.

Mrs. Shiyou was a native of Hancock County and was a Catholic. She was a residential care giver for the VA home in Kiln since 1978. Residents and extended family members are Donald White, Richard Minter, and Melvine "Baux" Marcontell.

Mrs. Shiyou was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Shiyou; parents, Ollie Necaie and Loraine Garriga Necaie; daughter, Glenda Sue Shiyou; sister, Luvy Cuevas; and a great-grandson, Cody Lee.

Survivors include a sister, Viretta Ladner; grandchildren, Leroy P. Ladner III; and Kasey Lee and her husband, Earl, of Kiln; and a great-grandson, Kaleb Lee.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dedeaux, followed by burial in Alphonse Malley Cemetery in Hancock County.

**BILL STALLWORTH, JR.**  
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# Business News

## SSC company awarded \$12 million contract

Power Dynamics, LLC, of Stennis Space Center, has been awarded a \$12.3 million contract to refurbish 37 U.S. Navy light amphibious resupply cargo craft - a move expected to create 15 new jobs, U.S. Senator Trent Lott said.

"I am pleased that a Mississippi company like Power Dynamics will be performing this work," Senator Lott said. "Throughout my years in Washington, I have worked hard with local state and other federal officials to bring promising companies to Stennis Space Center where they can grow and create jobs using Stennis technology and research base as a catalyst. This is

certainly a successful example of these efforts."

The work will consist of improving the propulsion system by selecting and installing a new diesel engine; improving the towing capability; improving the watertight integrity; and improving technical documentation and spare part logistical support for these craft.

Work is expected to last until April 2009. The contract was competitively procured through the Navy's e-solicitation website with four offers received. The company presently employs 37 people, with employment expected to climb to 52 to fulfill the contract.



### MPA award winner

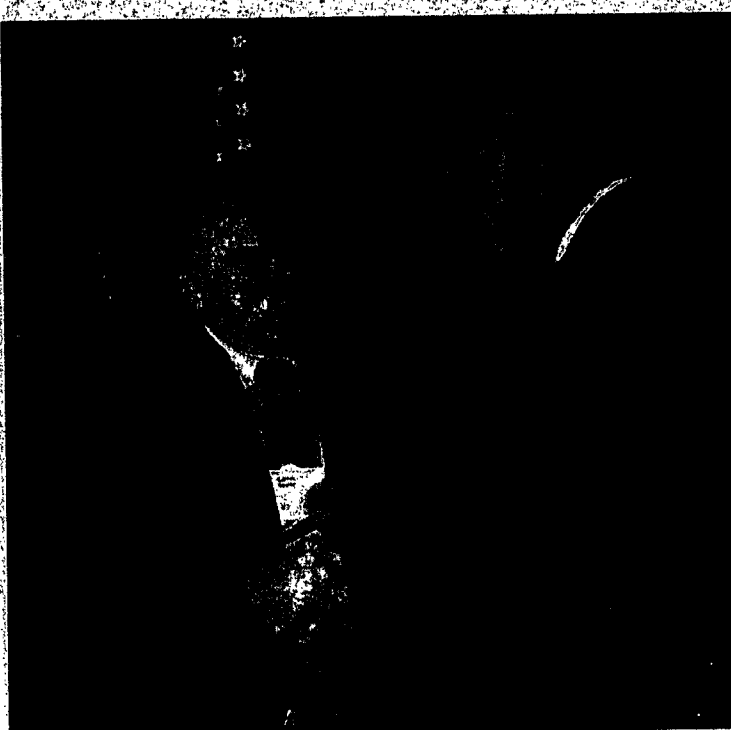
Sea Coast Echo staff writer Bonnie Shalbetter, left, receives the first place plaque for "Best Planned Series of Stories" from Mississippi Press Association president Patsy Spoights during ceremonies held Saturday in Memphis, Tennessee. The event was part of the historic Tri-State Press Convention and included newspapers from Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee. Other awards the Sea Coast Echo earned are: Geoff Belcher, Best In-depth/Investigative Coverage, third place; Shannon Jenkins, Best Planned Series of Stories, second place; Bonnie Shalbetter, Best Feature Story, honorable mention; Geoff Belcher, Best Feature Photograph, third place; Randy Ponder, Best Feature Photograph, honorable mention; Best Design, second place; and General Excellence, second place. (Echo photo by publisher Randy Ponder)

### Capdaux receives license

Real Estate Examinations were held for the month of June 2004 in Jackson, for those persons desiring to enter the field of Real Estate Sales, Rentals and other related activities.

Eight (8) individual including Jack Capdaux of Hancock County sitting for the Brokers examination successfully completed the requirements and will now become licensed Real Estate Brokers. Thirty-three (33) individuals sitting for the Salespersons examination successfully completed the requirements and will now be awarded the Salesperson License.

The examination consist of 100 questions prepared by the American College Testing Services (ACT) for Real Estate License Law Officials across the United States and Canada. Applicants are questioned concerning the Mississippi Real Estate Law and Rules and Regulations governing their activities in that vocation.



### Passing of the gavel

Bay St. Louis mayor Eddie Favre, left, ends his term as president of the Mississippi Municipal League by passing the gavel to incoming president Gene McGee, mayor of Ridgeland.

## Mississippi Municipal League elects officers

The Mississippi Municipal League (MML) elected new officers for 2004-2005 at its recent 73rd Annual Conference in Biloxi.

Mayor Gene F. McGee, Ridgeland will serve as President. Mayor Bill Rutledge, Pontotoc will serve as First Vice President and Mayor Seren Ainsworth, Ocean Springs will serve as Second Vice President.

McGee, who joined the League in 1985, has served in several key leadership positions, including First Vice President, 2003-2004, Second Vice President, 2002-2003, Legislative Co-Chair, 1997-1999, Executive and Finance Committee member and as a member of the Annual Conference Planning Committee. McGee has also chaired task forces addressing issues such as Broadband

Technology, Impact Fees and Telecommunications. He has been a member of the Board of Directors since 1989.

The mission of the Mississippi Municipal League is to provide leadership necessary to enable Mississippi's municipal officials to build consensus among themselves, as well as the capacity to influence public policy decisions at the local, state and federal levels of government. Established in 1931, MML represents 297 city, town, and village governments in Mississippi. MML is also affiliated with the National League of Cities, a lobbying, legislative, and legal arm representing municipalities before the U.S. Congress.

For more information about the Mississippi Municipal League visit [www.mmlonline.com](http://www.mmlonline.com).

### Irby earns HR certification

Ann Irby, Employee Benefits Assistant for Coast Electric Power Association, recently earned certification as a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR).

The certification, awarded by the Human Resources Certification Institute (HRCI), signifies that Irby possesses the theoretical knowledge and practical expertise in human resource management necessary to pass a rigorous examination demonstrating a mastery of the body of knowledge in the field.

To become certified, an applicant must pass a com-

prehensive examination and demonstrate a strong background of professional human resource experience.

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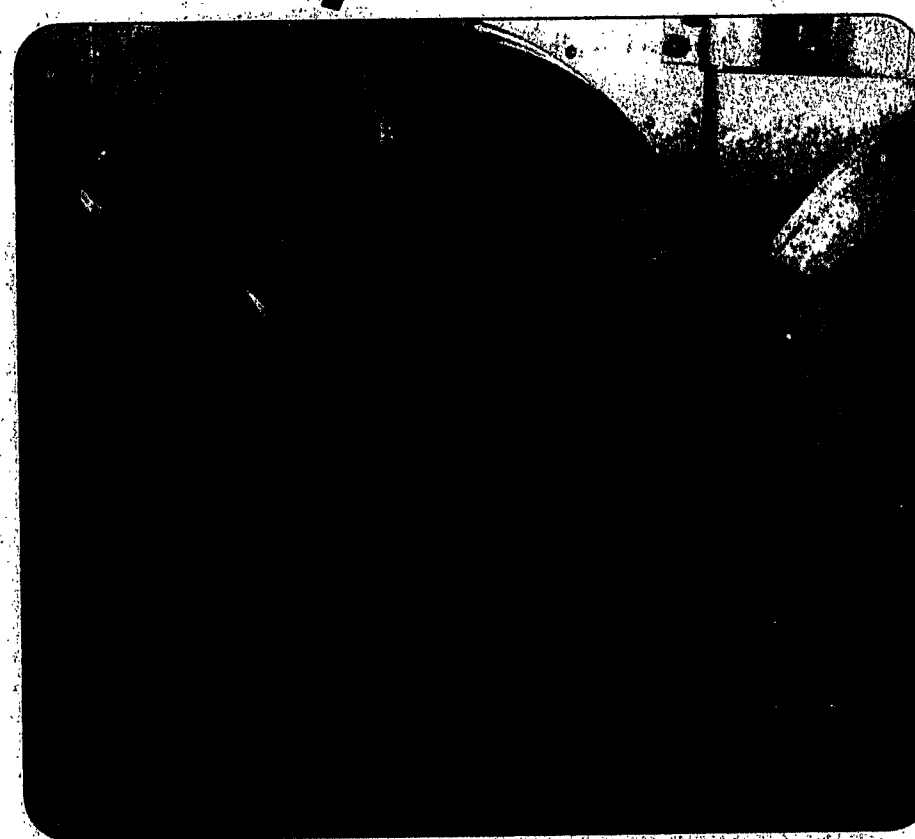
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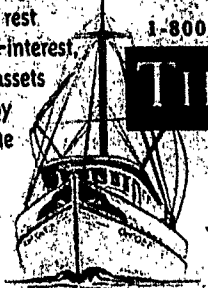
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## Ramirez -- D'head POA

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unique duties.

"The POA is a non-profit corporation," Ramirez said. "It tries to be a company in the way it's organized, but it is also responsible for municipal government, golf courses, hotels, airports and 84 miles of roads."

Ramirez took office three weeks ago, after being elected unopposed. He said the lack of competition turned out to be a plus in terms of efficiency, although he did feel somewhat conflicted about his victory.

"I got to start running this office a lot earlier," he said. "But I would have rather had competition, because the residents deserve to have both sides of an issue."

He said Diamondhead's unique form of government needed the participation of its citizens to work.

"This is the closest thing to a town hall government

(in the area). You have to get people involved, particularly younger people."

Ramirez stressed that Diamondhead was changing. When it was first built 35 years ago, he said the community was intended as a weekend getaway. As the years went by, Diamondhead became more of a retirement community. In the 1990s, 60 percent of Diamondhead's population was over 65. Today, Ramirez said, Diamondhead is one of the fastest growing towns in the state. With a population of 8,000, it is also bigger than many others.

One of Ramirez's biggest goals is to make the POA more efficient, he said. As officers come up for election every two years, the direction the POA goes on many issues can change frequently.

"I'm going to try to take what (the POA's responsibility

ties) and try to stabilize them by coming up with clear definitions of how they can operate."

This is especially important, he said, because the POA is on a budget.

"We're trying to handle the additional number of people with the same number of POA employees," he said.

Ramirez feels that Diamondhead needs to change to keep up with the times. The increased numbers of children and teenagers have been followed by more instances of vandalism.

Ramirez said he hoped to arrange for an increased presence from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department for these problems. For minor offenses, such as traffic violations, Diamondhead relies on an independent security force.

Another issue of concern

to many of Diamondhead's citizens is the prospect of incorporation.

"My feeling is that most of us don't know what incorporation means. A lot of us think that it will mean more bureaucracy. I would like to know what I would need to expect."

Ramirez said that incorporating Diamondhead into Bay St. Louis or Hancock County would be a possibility in the future. In 2020, Diamondhead's covenants with the Purcell Corporation, the company that built Diamondhead, will expire.

"Something has to replace it," Ramirez said.

A lack of manpower for the POA could also cause Diamondhead to incorporate.

"If we can't find people interested enough to run it, it would be a major problem."

## Cyber Security in Mississippi

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The images of 9/11 continue to haunt society in America today. The weakness in our systems of government had never been so vividly placed right in front of our eyes. Now more than ever we should be prepared on a local level for the possibility of a different type of attack exploited by those who wish to interfere with the lawful, necessary and even critical functioning of our public services.

To reduce the threat and better understand the weaknesses in our computerized information systems, the Office of the State Auditor and the Mississippi Department of Homeland Security has secured \$820,000 for the assessment of cyber security in each of the state's 82 counties. A federally funded mandate, beginning October 1, 2004, with each county being reimbursed up to \$10,000, will assess the connectivity of the county's computer information systems.

"We are redefining how we proactively protect our state and local government from a different type of attack that we face," states Ed Worthington, Director of Homeland Security for Mississippi.

"The Mississippi Department of Homeland Security looks forward to working with the State Auditor and the local government, in developing a Cyber Security Plan of Action."

Testing will be issued by approved assessment com-

panies. Information Technology Systems (ITS) is currently accepting Request for Proposals from Vendors to perform the Security Audits. Anyone interested in responding to the request should visit the ITS website:

<http://www.its.state.ms.us/rfps/3396.htm>. Once the assessment has been completed, a report detailing the issues and possible solutions will be provided to the county, Homeland Security and the Office of the State Auditor.

As part of the solution process, the amount allocated to each county is intended to offset the entire cost and monies not used to fund the assessment can be utilized for implementing solutions to problems identified in the assessment. Whether it be a computer for the Sheriff's office in communicating with State and other local officials by e-mail/live video conference or to strengthen one's fire wall to prevent hacker's break-in, this will help in making the state's 82 counties better prepared and equipped for the 21st Century.

State Auditor Phil Bryant stated, "For several years now, we have worked with our county leaders to integrate technology. This Cyber Security review will enhance our E-Government program to focus on public safety and protection. It will be the first of its kind in the nation. I appreciate Director Worthington's leadership in this vital mission."

## The ARTS to form new writers group

The Arts, Hancock County Mississippi has announced the formation of a guild of writers within the organization. The first meeting of the group, held last month, was attended by over a dozen writers with diverse experiences in their field. A consensus was reached as to the need for further exploration as a group.

The next meeting of the writers guild will be held at the Hancock County Public Library on Highway 90 in

Bay St. Louis. The participants will gather at 7 pm on Wednesday, July 28. The meeting will open with a talk by author Paul La Violette on publishing entitled "I've Written A Book; Now What Do I Do? A general meeting will follow, and any interested persons are invited to attend both the presentation and the meeting.

Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call Paul La Violette at 467-6996.

## Obituaries

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Bay St. Louis died July 6, 2004 in Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, July 12, 2004 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. Interment followed at Rotten Bayou Cemetery.

### ROBERT WALKER

Robert F. "Skip" Walker, 61, of Diamondhead, MS died July 9, 2004 in Diamondhead, MS.

He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Navy. He was a Senior Systems Analyst for Walker Midrange. A man of impeccable character, unquestionable loyalty, and the very definition of integrity. Someone that made a difference in every life he touched to inspire and encourage. He was blind to the impossible and encouraged the disheart-

ened. He was my mentor in the meaning of love and my gift from God.

He is preceded in death by his Mother, Betty M. Walker.

He is survived by his wife, V. Walker of Diamondhead, MS, 2 sons, Mikel Walker of Diamondhead, MS, Robert F. Walker, III of Las Vegas, NV, 2 Daughters, Gabriella Rivera of Doha, Qatar, Cynthia Kern of Las Vegas, NV, Father, Robert F. Walker, Sr. of Diamondhead, MS, 3 Grandchildren, Kyle & Sierra Walker, and Korbin Kern.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

## Coast Chorale awarded \$3,395 grant from the Mississippi Arts Comm.

The grant, a portion of the \$1.16 million in grants the Commission will award in 2004-2005, will be used to offset Coast Chorale's operating expenses, including the hiring of contract musicians to enhance its Christmas and spring season concerts.

The grants are made possible by continued funding from the Mississippi State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.

"Without a doubt, high quality arts programs, organizations and individual artists enhance and even change lives throughout the state in thousands of measurable ways," Hedgepeth said.

The Coast Chorale is a 40-voice community chorus whose members reside mostly in Hancock or Harrison Counties. Membership is open to anyone, but experience singing in high school, college or church choirs is desirable. Artistic Director Joy Mehrkens conducts brief auditions of prospective members to determine voice range and quality.

"We have ambitious plans for the coming year," Mehrkens said. "We are hoping to perform Ralph Vaughan Williams' 'Fantasia on Christmas

Carols' for the holidays. Then, in the spring, we plan to sing Faure's 'Requiem' and Rutter's 'Gloria,' both with small orchestras."

Persons interested in joining Coast Chorale should contact Mehrkens at (228) 483-9215, or Eric Meindl at (228) 466-9529. Tuesday evening rehearsals will resume for the new season after Labor Day at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian.

The Mississippi Arts Commission is a state agency that serves more than 1.7 million Mississippians through grants supporting programs to enhance communities, assist artists and arts organizations, promote the arts in education and celebrate the state's cultural heritage. Established in 1968 by the Mississippi State Legislature, the Commission is the official grantsmaking and service agency for the arts in Mississippi.

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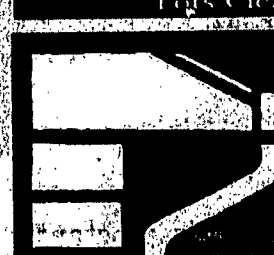
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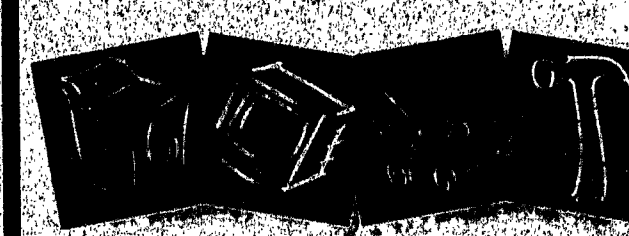
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Plant manager Pat Nichols, who spoke to the board before the vote, said she strongly opposed the resolution, stating that it would send a "negative message" to the community that the board is unwilling to work with plant.

Nichols said that a June 28 meeting with the board (at a regular board meeting) resulted in what plant officials considered "an understanding" that all board members would meet with DuPont and review plans for the waste site and for alternative sites. By voting on the issue, the board would breach that agreement, Nichols said.

Ladner, in whose district the plant falls, attended a

meeting with the board on June 28. Nichols said that a June 28 meeting with the board (at a regular board meeting) resulted in what plant officials considered "an understanding" that all board members would meet with DuPont and review plans for the waste site and for alternative sites. By voting on the issue, the board would breach that agreement, Nichols said.

Ladner and Rogko had already spoken up at a public hearing held on June 24, questioning the proposal. At that time Ladner said that a poll of the board netted a unanimous decision, opposition to the placement of the waste site in the wetlands location.

"That opinion has nothing to do with any alternatives that might exist," said District 4 Supervisor William Martin. "So the ability to meet with the board to discuss any alternatives still exists... I don't think anyone has anything against alternatives."

Martin suggested that the plant simply withdraw the permit application. If the permit application were withdrawn, then the board would not have to take any official action, Martin said.

Ladner said he would like to see the board make a decision that is not safe... I think that these people are playing politics."

"It always goes back to the location in the wetland you say it will be safe," Mr. Martin asked you to withdraw the application and you said you wouldn't," said Ladner. "My position before this board is a motion to reject this permit. We are willing to discuss alternatives."

"We are very disappointed the Board took the action

will remain steadfast in our efforts to help the Board and others understand what we do and that our number one priority continues to be safety and environmental stewardship for our employees, our neighbors, and the community as a whole," Nichols continued.

"However we remain dismayed because the Board's action signals a general opposition to the continued successful operation of the DuPont deLisle Plant."

Nichols said she had hoped that meetings with the board would lead to a win-win situation for everyone involved.

A date for a decision by the Corps was not available before press time.

## Stennis Space Center celebrates Apollo program's 35th anniversary

NASA Stennis Space Center's (SSC) visitor center, StennisSphere, will celebrate the 35th anniversary of Apollo 11, the first human lunar landing, with events throughout the summer. On Tuesday, July 20, the anniversary date of Astronaut Neil Armstrong's first step onto the Moon, the following special events are scheduled:

\* Apollo exhibit: Recalls Astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's historic mission.

Visitors can see a Moon rock, Apollo spacesuits and other displays honoring the Apollo program and its achievements.

\* 10 a.m.: The planting of a "Moon Tree" descended from seeds carried to the Moon and back by Apollo 14

Astronaut Stuart Roosa, a longtime Mississippi Gulf Coast resident.

\* 11 a.m.: The premiere of a live stage production, "The Eagle has Landed." Members of the WINGS children's performing arts division of the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center in Gulfport, Miss., will perform at 11 a.m. each weekday through Aug. 3.

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## Miss Alice -- American Original

was still shining, at about 6:30 p.m. She was 94. A memorial service will be held for her on Saturday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot.

She and her best friend, Herman, the smiling dog, entertained both locals and visitors with stories and sprigs of wisdom each day, rain or shine, at her home gallery. She rose each morning to open the gallery, usually sporting her favorite red beret.

Friend Sherry Ponder, who spent many of Moseley's last days with her, conducted an "interview" with Miss Alice about a month before her death. "She wanted to sit in the studio," said Ponder. "And though she didn't wear shoes, she did insist on wearing her red hat."

Though Miss Alice was known most recently as a folk artist whose paintings reflected the wry humor and special outlook that she had on life, painting was a second career.

By the time she became an artist, Miss Alice had already devoted 30 years to teaching English and — more importantly to her — to the shaping of young minds. That, she once said, was her most important accomplishment. "A lot more rewarding than working with paint and water," she would say.

She had also devoted many more years to being a wife to husband W. J., who preceded her in death in 1980, and a mother to her only son Tim, who she left behind. Tim, now a counselor in Pass Christian, followed his mother to the Coast about ten years ago, just a few years after Miss Alice had moved to the area in 1988, at the age of 79.

Tim will continue his mother's legacy, keeping the gallery operating, and converting what used to be living space into Bay St. Louis' first museum, featuring Miss Alice's originals and later, Tim's antique collection. Herman will continue to smile for visitors, coming to work each day as usual, and returning to spend the night in Pass Christian with Tim.

"I can't think of anything she would like more than to be remembered," said Tim. "For someone to pull into Bay St. Louis and ask for her museum."

Tim remembers his mother as a woman who liked to do her best at whatever it was she was doing and who was tenacious at reaching her goals.

"I sometimes called her a shameless self-promoter," said Tim. "She would go and greet newcomers and take them a print, but before she left she would ask them to pass out her brochures, and they would. Not everyone had her nerve."

Hancock Tourism Board director Beth Carriere agrees.

"She did her job and I did mine and together we had a special relationship," said Carriere on promoting Miss Alice's art. "I always felt like I was talking to a contemporary. Behind those beautiful blue eyes and under that white hair was a timeless soul."

Friend Dale St. Amant met Miss Alice when she brought over her usual print of greeting to St. Amant's new business right next door to the studio. The two had an instant connection, probably because St. Amant was also a retired English teacher, she said. Like most everyone who came into contact with Miss Alice, St. Amant admired her spirit and determination.

"If someone would say, 'have a good day,' she would say, 'you don't have a good day; you make it a good day,'" said St. Amant. "She always said that a person had to have a reason for getting up in the morning."

Tim also remembers his mother's love of cooking and canning, though funnily enough, Miss Alice herself was not a big eater. She just loved to cook for others.

"She was always fixing something and my dad would eat whatever it was she would make," said Tim. "I would always be on some special diet or another and she would get mad at me because I wouldn't eat what she fixed."

She also loved to garden and was quite proud of her gardens, said Tim.

When it came to her art, Tim said, Miss Alice was not the kind who had to paint everyday; she loved telling stories more. And she turned that art of telling stories into a successful career. Even her paintings all tell a story and Miss Alice used to say that people were buying the stories, not the art.

"She would start with a runny mixture of paint and let it dribble and run down the canvas," Tim said. "She painted from her own imagination ... and soon there it would be."

Miss Alice started painting, she would say, as a therapy, while she was taking

care of her mother, who suffered with Alzheimer's. She would, Tim said, paint after the doctor, W. J., when she was alone at their beautiful home in their home place, a small home near Batesville, Mississippi, just south of the Memphis area. It was during this time that she knew she wanted to make a change.

Some time before, she received several invitations to participate in art shows and pulled one out of the stack at random. The show was in Bay St. Louis, the Beach Front Festival. She called Serenity Gallery owner Jerry Dixon, who organized the show, and told him she was coming.

"I hadn't mailed the invitation and had no idea how she got it," said Dixon. "But I told her she was welcome. She said, 'I'm a little old lady and need to be under a tree,' so we put her under the only tree there was."

Later, Miss Alice decided she wanted to make the Bay her home and phoned Dixon to tell him.

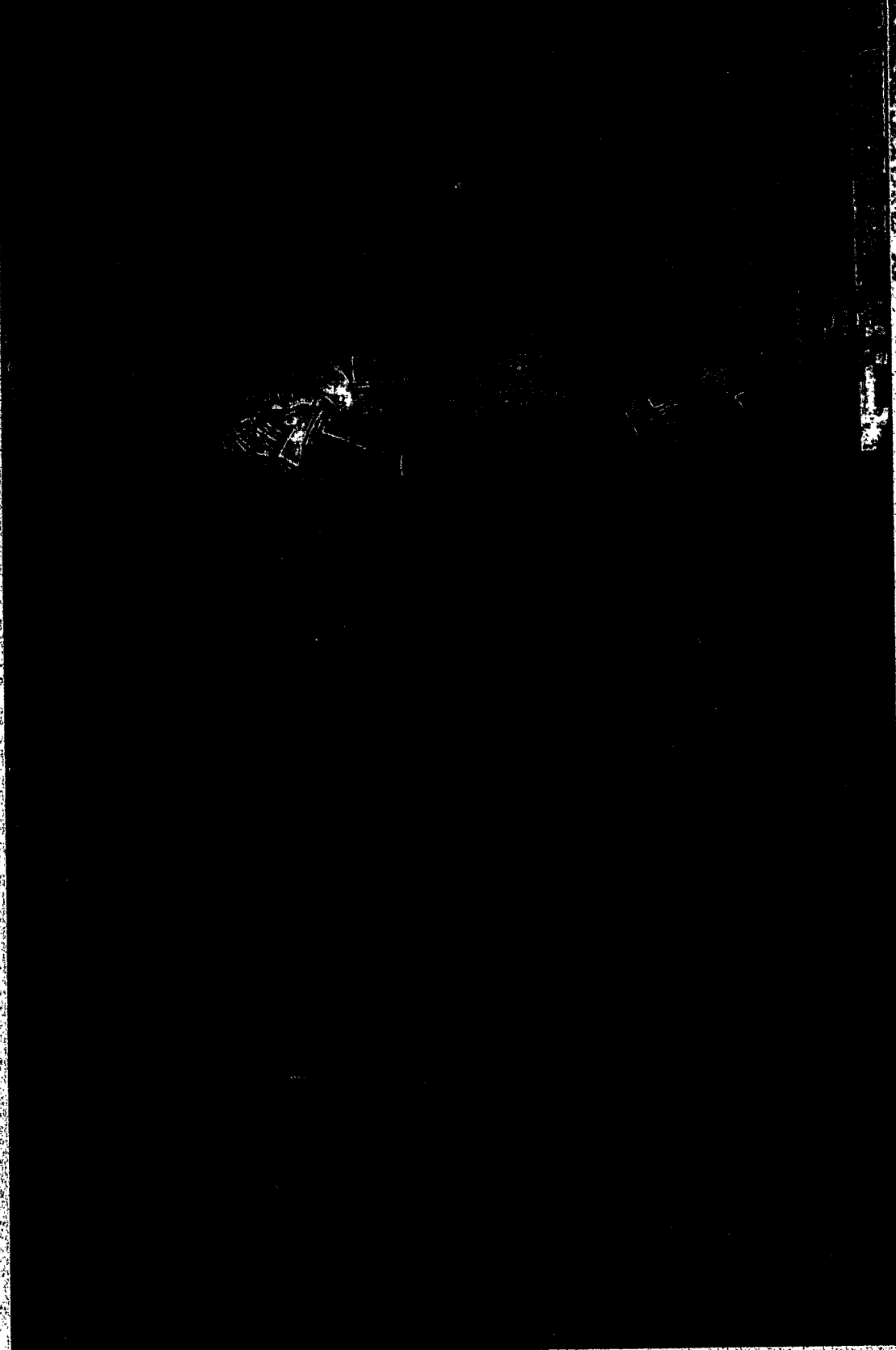
"But you don't know anyone, I said, and she said, 'I know you,' and of course she brought people right to her door," said Dixon.

Miss Alice and Dixon became fast friends and she always credited him with bringing her to the Bay and with helping her get a start as an artist here. Along with Tim, he helped her find the Bookter St. house and, when her dog Lily died, to find Herman at the animal shelter.

"She had a unique understanding of people and human nature," said Dixon. "She loved rainbows and felt that Bay St. Louis was her pot of gold at the end of the rainbow."

So last Friday night it was almost as if by special request, Dixon said, that a double rainbow appeared in the sky just after 6 p.m., and stayed there for an unusual amount of time.

"My friend Sally Baker was driving into town and called me to look at it,"



Miss Alice, at her home studio, in November 2001.

Dixon said. Later the two knew, he said, that it must have been Miss Alice's rainbow.

Miss Alice's memorial will include an ongoing showing of her video and a

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Echo the photo

## Pit bull

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Memorial Hospital where he was underwent surgery and was later released, Barnett said.

Seclson had numerous lacerations to his face, head and arms because of the attack, Barnett said.

Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt said that, if convicted, Sager could face up to 30 years in jail.

The sheriff's office received the emergency call

at approximately 1 a.m. Friday, and Deputy Tim Campbell was the first officer at the scene, Barnett said.

Sager's bond was set at \$10,000 at the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility, according to Barnett.

The dog is in the custody of the Waveland Animal Shelter.

## Fundraiser for Ladner children

On Saturday, August 7, beginning at 10:00 a.m. till there will be a fund-raiser held at the Lakeshore VFW for Elisha and Jade Ladner, children of Jonathan Ladner and Erica Hardie, and grandchildren of Earline and Hank Carver, Darrell and Suzette Hardie, and Glenda and RJ Ladner.

Elisha, 3 years old, and Jade, 11 months old, were born with urinary birth defects and are in need of major operations. The children are both scheduled for costly surgery within a few months of each other.

If you would like to make

a cash donation, a contribution of food for the fund-raiser event, gifts to be raffled, or to volunteer your time at this event, please contact: Earlene Carver (228) 255-2775; Suzette Hardie (228) 463-9819; or Charlene Garcia (228) 463-0711.

All proceeds from the fund-raiser will go towards medical expenses. Donations can be mailed to: Elisha and Jade Ladner Fund c/o Earlene Carver 5153 Firetower Road, Kiln, MS 39556. (Please make checks payable to Elisha and Jade Ladner Fund.)

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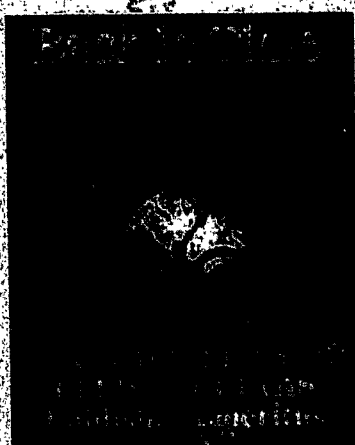
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### TEN YEARS AGO

July 10, 1984 - The purchase of the old CSX Depot remains mired in multi-governmental red tape, but the mayor vows the city will prevail. City Council members offered to meet in an emergency session whenever necessary to take action, racing to qualify for federal money to restore the old depot. While Councilman Tad Black suggested the entire deal possibly could collapse, Mayor Eddie Favre stood firm. "There is a possibility that we are going to die tomorrow, but we're going to get the depot." The city has a \$580,000 grant from Federal Transportation Funds to restore the 1928 structure on Railroad Avenue, and has agreed to pay some \$86,000 to purchase it.

Leadership on the Bay St. Louis City Council changed hands Wednesday when Charles C. Scianna was elected president of council, assuming the position held by councilman James C. Thriffley for the past several years.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO

July 6, 1984 - Hancock County sheriff's coffers are richer by some \$226,027 as a result of forfeiture of cash confiscated in an April drug bust in Pearlinton. But the funds, seized then, must be deposited in a special fund. The principal cannot be spent without further court order. Circuit Court Judge J. Rubble Griffin ruled Friday in granting District Attorney Carama's request that the money be turned over to Hancock County. And interest from the money may be expended only to purchase capital equipment, including automobiles for the sheriff's department. That interest, Sheriff Ronald Peterson estimated, should amount to about \$24,000 a year.

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### FORTY YEARS AGO

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# From Earth to the Moon:

## Stennis celebrates 35th anniversary of Apollo moon landing



Photos courtesy of NASA

Astronaut Buzz Aldrin, lunar module pilot, walks on the surface of the Moon near the leg of the Lunar Module "Eagle" during the Apollo 11 mission's extravehicular activity. Astronaut Neil A. Armstrong, commander, took this photograph with a lunar surface camera. NASA Stennis Space Center (SSC) is celebrating the 35th anniversary of the historic moment on July 20, 1969, when Armstrong and Aldrin first set foot on the lunar surface. SSC, America's largest rocket test complex, was built to test the rocket engines that took them there and today tests all the Space Shuttle Main Engines.

## Apollo program changed the world; Space Center played a crucial role

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The first test firing of the S-IC-5 rocket engines for the Apollo Moon missions took place at NASA Stennis Space Center (then Mississippi Test Facility) on Aug. 28, 1967. The Saturn class engines carried Astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins on their historic Apollo 11 mission to the Moon.



The Saturn class rocket engines that carried Astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins on their historic Apollo 11 mission to the Moon in 1969 were tested at NASA Stennis Space Center (then Mississippi Test Facility). Stennis Space Center (SSC) is celebrating the 35th anniversary of the historic moment on July 20, 1969.



# Sports

## District and State Champions



The Bay St. Louis Babe Ruth 7 & 8 year old All Star team was victorious throughout both the Babe Ruth District VI Tournament and the Mississippi State Championship Tournament. This group of young boys carried a 4-0 record in the District Tournament and was 5-0 in the State Tournament. By winning these tournaments this team has qualified to be the State of Mississippi's representative at the Southwest Regional Tournament in Allen, Texas, July 16-21. This is a rare and special accomplishment for children of this age. Pictured from left are: Back Row: Coach Ronnie Artigues, Jr., Coach Rocky Rhodes, Coach Chris Dossett and Coach Ricky Ladner; 2nd Row: Taylor McCollister, Patrick Daniels, Irbby Dossett, Chase Rhodes, Jonathon Artigues and Noah Nicaud; Front Row: Zach Robinson, Blake Keel, Zackery Everhart, Patrick McRaney, Austin Ladner and Nicholas Bulot.

## Gulf Coast Soccer School to conduct summer camp

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The 4th annual Gulf Coast Soccer School will hold their summer camp July 19-22 at the Brother Philip Memorial Athletic Complex on the campus of St. Stanislaus College.

The camp will run daily from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. on the practice field behind the baseball stadium. During inclement weather, the camp will be moved to the Blaize Gymnasium on the main campus.

Camp director Andy

Kivlan commented, "The purpose of the camp is to develop the techniques and tactics of the young player. Also, they will be given instruction on the rules of the game."

The primary purpose is to teach the campers enough so that the sport becomes fun for them to participate in."

Kivlan has led the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws to consecutive Class 4A state titles in 2003 and 2004.

He has been named the 2003 NFHS Mississippi

Coach of the Year, the 2003 MAC Coach of the Year, and South Mississippi Coach of the Year from 2002-04.

The counselors for the camp will include several All-State, All-South State and All-Division performers.

The camp is open to both boys and girls ages 7-15 and the cost is \$65 per camper. For more information on the camp or to register, please contact Andy Kivlan at 228-466-2600 or visit [www.ststan.com](http://www.ststan.com) for a registration form.



### Locals compete in regional disc golf match

Three local teens were among the 148 participants at the 11 division, Southern Nationals Pro/Am Disc Golf Tournament, 2004 Mississippi State Championship held in Paul B. Johnson State Park located at Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Chance Palmer (left) 14, of Waveland, Justin Mahn 14, and Garrett Sotak, 14 both of Bay Saint Louis, were among those participating in the Junior Division. Justin won first place, while Garrett took fourth place in their division. Disc Golf (sometimes referred to as Frisbee Golf) was established as a sport in 1975. The object of the sport is very similar to that of golf, except that frisbees are used in place of clubs and balls. The course is comprised of 18 holes with a par 3 throws per hole. Each hole ends when the player throws his disc into a pole hole basket. Scores are kept in the same manner as ball golf, with the winner being the person with the lowest overall score for the holes played. Buccaneer State Park in Waveland has an 18 hole disc golf course that is located in front of the park office. Use of this course is free and a score card with the course map on the back can also be obtained free of charge at the park office.

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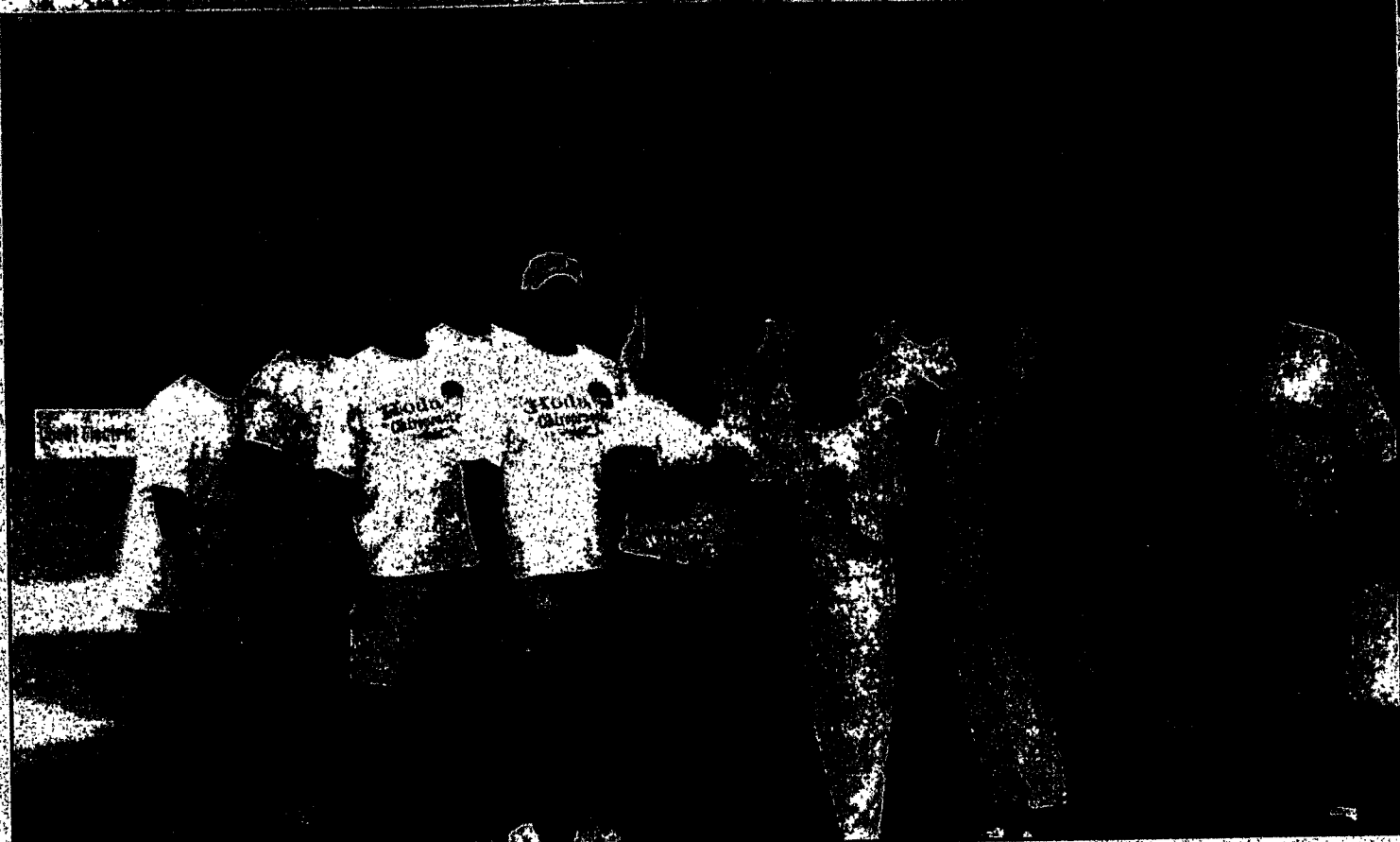
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# Sports



The second annual Haley Ladner Softball Tournament takes place this Friday and Saturday to benefit KIDS KICKING CANCER INC. For more information, call 255-6064, 255-5328 or 255-6658.

## Second Annual Haley Ladner Memorial Softball Tournament

### THE SEA COAST ECHO

The Haley Ladner Softball Tournament was started last year in memory of Haley Ladner, the daughter of Kermie & Naomi Ladner.

Haley was a bright and beautiful child from Fenton, Ms. She was 7 years old when diagnosed with Hepatoblastoma cancer. Her bravery, determination and positive attitude touched everyone who knew and loved her. Haley's battle with cancer ended at age 8.

Haley's family and friends wanted to do something in her memory so the idea of a charity tournament was given by Haley's parents. There was an overwhelming response of sponsors and people who wanted to help.

The 1st Annual

Tournament was given on July 18th and 19th, 2003 organized by Haley's family, Hoda Chiropractic Clinic, Fantasy Productions and Kiln VFW. This year the Broke Spoke will also help in organizing the tournament.

On that Friday night, Diamondhead Dance Co. was the entertainment. The show was performed by girls who had danced with Haley. Thousands of people from all over the coast came out to support the cause. Teams from as far as Hattiesburg participated in the tournament. The tournament was played by men's & coed teams.

Haley's family received a great deal of support during her illness from the organization Kids Kicking Cancer. Their appreciation is why

they chose this organization to be the recipient of the proceeds from the memorial classic softball tournament.

Funds were raised by \$50, \$100 and \$500 t-shirt ads and donations of food, drinks and supplies. The charity tournament with the help of a lot of people raised \$10,000 last year. Kermie and Naomi Ladner would like to thank everyone who was involved in making their dream a reality.

The 2nd Annual Tournament will be held July 16 and 17. Anyone who would like to give donations to support this great cause please contact Kermie Ladner at 255-6064; Dr. Desmond Hoda at 255-5328 or Lenny Ladner at 255-6658. Any teams interested in participating in the tournament should contact Don

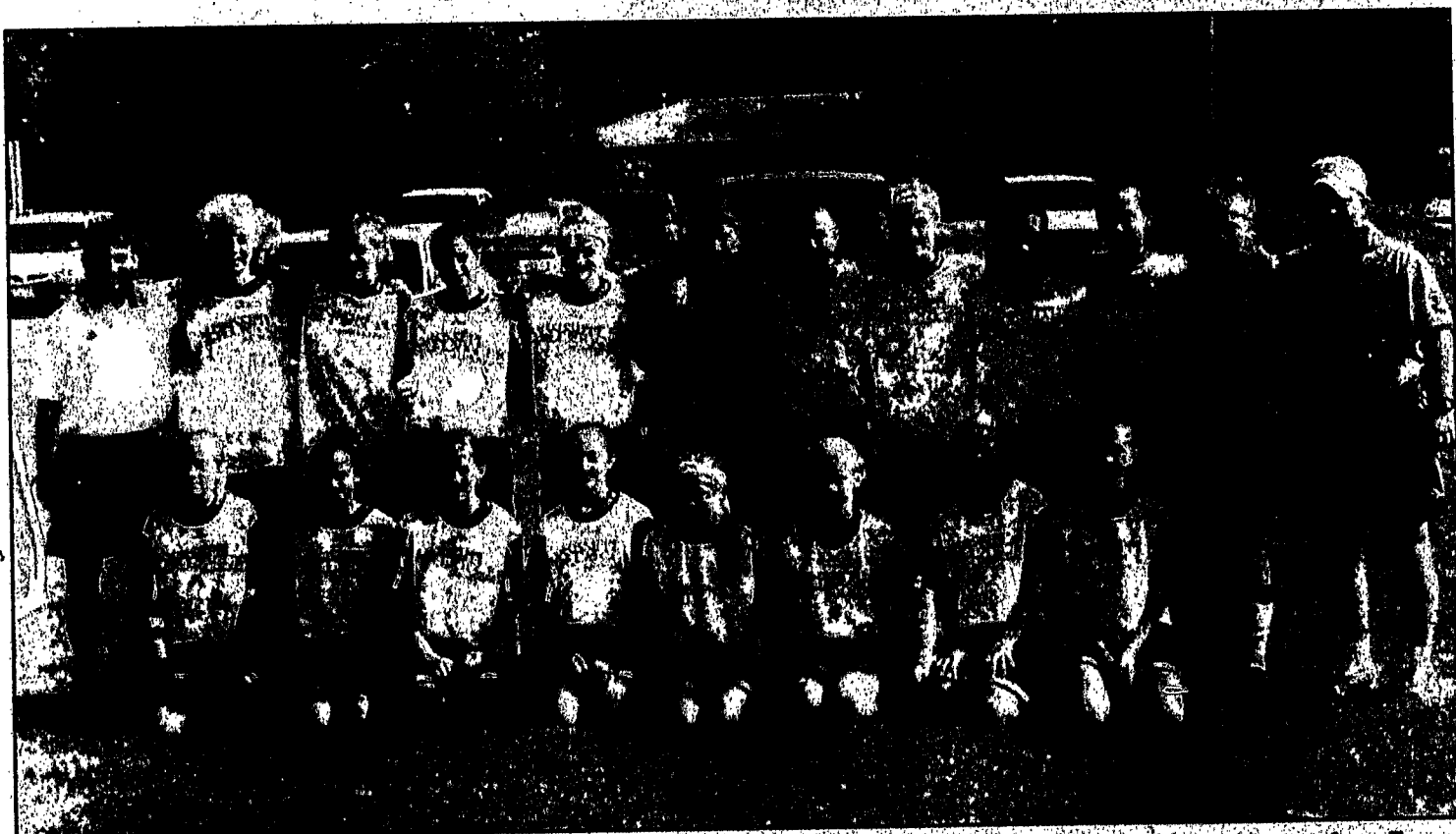
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Activities and games will start on Friday, July 16th at the Dedeaux Community Recreational Park. We hope to have the great support again this year which made our charity event a great success.

KIDS KICKING CANCER, INC. is a non-profit organization established to host events and programs for families who have a child afflicted with cancer.

It was founded in 1993 by a small group of health care professionals involved in the care of children with cancer. It was recognized that while there were many adults with cancer, few resources focused on the needs of children diagnosed with this life-threatening illness.

## Girls Mississippi Olympic Development Team



The Girls Mississippi Olympic Development Team went to camp at Norman Oklahoma in June. They played teams from Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The players are: Front row, Alixandra Evans of Gulfport, Corey Yeates, Shelby Wheatley, Madeleine Michell of Pass Christian, Courtney Harlan of Lucedale, Elizabeth Stevens, Molly Atherton of Gulfport, Adriana Mercier; Standing: Coach Casey Chiasson, Coxy Parker, Jeana Gilbert of Lucedale, Ellen Barraza, Jessica Dotson, Carly Winship of Laurel, Megan Aultman of Biloxi, Madison McKee, Ashley Goodlet, Casey Gill, Heather Bell, Coach Paul Martin of Lucedale.

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# Entertainment

## Gulfport Little Theatre's SHOW BIZ KIDZ to present 'The Music Man'

Gulfport Little Theatre's SHOW BIZ KIDZ youth theatre group will present "The Music Man" by Meredith Willson July 16 through 18; and July 23 through July 25. Friday and Saturdays at 7 p.m.; Sunday afternoons at 3 p.m. The theatre is located at 2600 13th Avenue, one block off Pass Road, behind Chris' Beauty College.

"The Music Man" is the popular musical tale of a brash "con man" (Harold Hill) who attempts to sell his ideas for a school band to an unsuspecting small mid-America town. His schemes fall apart when he falls in love with the town librarian and his "prospects" begin to question his credentials and his musical teaching methods. A cast of more than 60 talented young Coast performers will bring this full Broadway version, complete with live orchestra, to the stage.

TICKETS: Adults \$8.00 and Students \$6.00; Advance Ticket Sales (MC/Visa) at 875-7268. General seating; house opens 12 hour before show times. Sold seats held until 10 minutes before curtain. Cast members are Abby Abide, Caroline Abide, Victoria Abide, Tessa Benoit, Aaron Bentz, Cameron Black, Matthew Black, Bréaann Blakely, Caitlyn Bosarge, Madison Bosarge, JR Braun, Laura Brondum, Claire Burkes,



(Back): Matthew Black, Jacqueline Coale; (Front) Alexandra Stewart, Daniel Jones.

Sydney Bush, Cara Chapman, Jacqueline Coale, Nate Condra, Brittany Cook, Callie Coursey, Beth Cox, Cayla Derbigny, Courtney Derbigny, Corey Duncan, Tasha Duncan, Phillip Dutton, Bridget Giglione, Brian Hamrick, Mitchell Herrin, Hank Hill, Hannah Hill, Emily Jacobsen, Daniel Jones, Evan Jones, Jordan Jones, Zach Jones, Eva Katz, Candace Knoch, Aaron Lind, Allison Lingsch, Jennifer Logan, Mollie McCarroll, Eric Merkle, Amber Murphy, Jayme Murphy, Zoe Newman, Sally Sue O'Keefe, Lilli Phillips, Savannah Potter, Katie Purchner, Shelby Purchner, Tyler Purchner, Emma Rabalais, Chris Rehmann, Elizabeth Rehmann, Bryce Russell, Brandon Smith, Haleigh Smith, Kadin Snow, Alexandra Stewart, Wesley Sykes, Dillon Wales, Jennifer Wright, and Jessie Yoste



Chef Emeril Lagasse and his wife Aiden will celebrate "Bam on the Beach II" on Aug. 28 at the Grand Casino Event Center in Gulfport to benefit the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center.

## Bam on the Beach with Emeril

**THE SEA COAST ECHO** Join internationally known Chef Emeril Lagasse and his wife Aiden for a summer evening celebrating the local flavors of the Gulf South on Saturday, August, 28, 6-10 p.m. at the Grand Casino Event Center in Gulfport.

"BAM on the Beach II" is a wine and food experience featuring a cooking demonstration by Chef Emeril, entertainment by Doc Gibbs & Picante, and cuisine from Emeril's Restaurant, NOLA, Emeril's Delmonico and many other coast and regional fine restaurants.

General admission tickets are \$125 each. Patron tickets that include reserved seats begin at \$600 for two people. Corporate sponsor levels beginning at \$3,000 include reserved seats to BAM on the Beach II and tickets to an exclu-

sive "Private Party with Emeril" that is scheduled earlier in the evening. The event is for adults only. Tickets go on sale July 23.

Alden and Emeril Lagasse launched a \$2 million dollar capital campaign in 2003 to create a performing arts center at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center, Mississippi's first Children's Museum, in Gulfport. Alden Lagasse, a Gulfport native, was a friend and tennis

partner of Lynn Meadows for whom the museum was named. Proceeds from BAM on the Beach II benefit The WINGS Performing Arts Program and will be used to renovate the gymnasium adjacent to the museum to create a theatre and education center exclusively for young people, the first of its kind in Mississippi.

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